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WEEK DAYS

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...	Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.29	7.10
Yau-mat...	Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.38	7.19
Shatin...	Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51	7.31
Tai-po...	Dep.	7.18	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04	7.44
Tai-po Market...	Dep.	7.31	9.59	11.14	12.44	1.59	5.19	6.14	7.54
Fanning...	Dep.	7.33	10.03	11.18	12.48	2.03	5.23	6.18	7.58
Shungshui...	Dep.	7.36	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	5.27	6.22	8.02
Shumshun...	Arr.	7.43	10.18	11.33	13.03	2.13	5.34	6.29	8.09

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shumshun...	Dep.	7.31	8.05	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.08
Shungshui...	Dep.	7.33	8.18	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	6.15
Fanning...	Dep.	7.36	8.26	10.59	12.01	3.11	4.28	5.24	6.19
Tai-po Market...	Dep.	7.42	8.36	10.59	12.01	3.21	4.38	5.34	6.29
Tai-po...	Dep.	7.44	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	6.33
Shatin...	Dep.	7.59	8.49	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.51	6.46
Yau-mat...	Dep.	8.19	8.55	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.03	6.58
Kowloon...	Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.11	7.06

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...	Dep.	6.40	8.35	9.15	10.30	12.00	2.22	5.29	7.10
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Shatin...	Dep.	7.02	—	9.35	10.51	12.21	2.43	5.51	7.31
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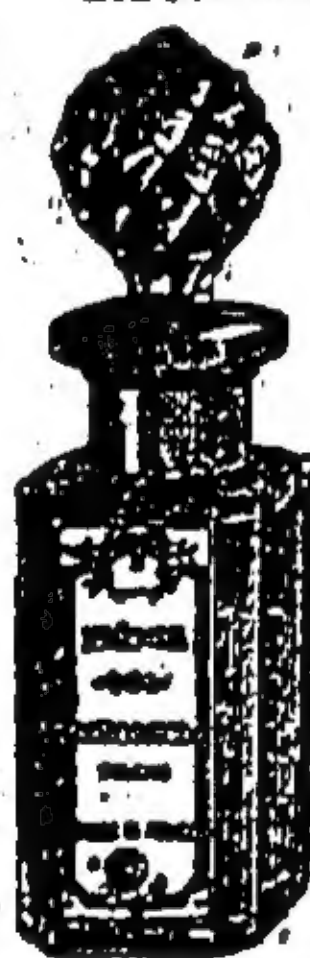
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TRIANGULAR TOURNAMENT WON BY NAVY.

Special interest was attached to the match between the Hongkong C.C. and Royal Navy, which began on Friday and finished on Saturday afternoon. It was the last match in the triangular tournament, and both these teams had defeated the Army in the earlier games. The Navy won by six wickets.

The Navy batting first on Friday knocked up 333 runs. Stumps were drawn when the H.K.C.C. had lost three wickets for 61 runs.

The Navy began well and three only of their players failed to reach double figures. Lieut. Halsey scored 83, Lieut. Comdr. Armitage 57, Lieut. Sillitoe 45, and Lieut. Col. Cantrell 33.

The Club went in to bat at 4.45 p.m. and two wickets fell for 12 runs. Hayward with 25, and Owen Hughes 31, were unbeaten when play closed.

For the Navy Cantrell had taken the 3 wickets, while Powell bowling for the Club had taken six wickets.

SATURDAY'S PLAY.

With a loss of three wickets for 61, the Club continued their innings on Saturday. Owen Hughes could only add four more runs to the 31 he had previously compiled. Three wickets later fell rather cheaply, and seven wickets were down for 194 runs. Hayward, who had been batting the previous day, made a fine stand, and was dismissed for 63 runs. The innings closed for 157.

The H.K.C.C. went in again, and did rather well in compiling 207 runs, but the combined scores exceeded that of the Navy by 32 runs only. Owen Hughes scored 45, and T. E. Pearce 49.

The Navy made the necessary runs for the loss of four wickets, and thus won the match by six wickets.

Scores:—

ROYAL NAVY.			
1st Innings.			
Lieut. Comdr. Armitage, c Pearce,			45
b Powell			13
Pay-Comdr. Hussey, b Bowker			13
Lieut. Nicholson, b Powell			45
Md. Stephenson, b Stewart			31
Lieut. Halsey, c Owen Hughes, b Powell			83
Capt. West, c Stewart, b Owen Hughes			3
Lieut. Sillitoe, c Stewart, b Powell			45
Capt. Lake, st. Pearce, b Powell			8
Lieut. Col. Cantrell, not out			33
Lieut. Wanchope, c Stewart, b Powell			7
Lieut. Comdr. Beatty, b Bowker			13
Extras			13
Total			333

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Bowker	10.2	4	70
Lammert	11	1	53
Powell	30	2	82
Owen Hughes	16	1	80
Stewart	5	1	15
Young	2	0	19

H.K.C.C.			
1st Innings.			
A. W. Hayward, b Cantrell			63
G. R. Sayer, l.b.w., b Cantrell			0
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Armitage, b Cantrell			3
E. F. Stewart, b Cantrell			0
H. Owen Hughes, c Stephenson, b Beatty			35
R. Hancock, c Sillitoe, b Beatty			0
T. E. Pearce, b Cantrell			9
E. G. Lammert, c Armitage, b Stephenson			9
A. C. I. Bowker, not out			13
F. N. Young, b Cantrell			9
Rev. T. B. Powell, b Beatty			4
Extras			10
Total			137

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Cantrell	31	7	71
Beatty	23.3	11	48
Lake	4	0	19
Stephenson	3	0	9

H.K.C.C.			
2nd Innings.			
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Cantrell, b Stephenson			41
A. C. I. Bowker, c Lake, b Stephenson			0
E. G. Lammert, c Nicholson, b Beatty			15
G. R. Sayer, l.b.w., b Cantrell			5
E. F. Stewart, c Lake, b Cantrell			10
A. W. Hayward, c Hussey, b Cantrell			5
R. Hancock, c Hussey, b Beatty			0
H. Owen Hughes, b Beatty			45
T. E. Pearce, l.b.w., b Cantrell			40
F. N. Young, c Nicholson, b Cantrell			16
Rev. T. B. Powell, not out			13
Extras			34
Total			207

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Cantrell	28	5	68
Stephenson	10	2	33
Beatty	16	3	33
Lake	2	0	15
Nicholson	8	2	24

ROYAL NAVY.			
2nd Innings.			
Pay-Lieut. Hussey, b Bowker			7
Capt. West, b Bowker			0
Mid. Stephenson, b Bowker			0
Lieut. Nicholson, b Bowker			2
Capt. Lake, not out			14
Lieut. Wanchope, not out			14
Extras			8
Total (for 4 wickets)			42

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Bowker	6	1	17
Lammert	3	0	17

Friendly Games.

C.S.C.C. "A" v. NAVY "A"

Playing at home on New Year's Day, the Civil Service Cricket Club "A" were beaten by the Royal Navy "A" by 84 runs. Batting one man short, the home side compiled 73 runs; while the Navy replied with 169 runs. The best scorer for the Club was F. E. Lawrence (21); while for the other side Lieut. Comdr. Bower knocked up 57. Lieut. Mansergh 23 and Mid. Simms 22. E. W. Hamilton, the C.S.C.C. captain, secured the best bowling average of the match, taking four wickets for 50 runs; while C. Sara took three wickets for 47 runs. For the Navy, Engineer-Lieut. Bennett took four wickets for 42 runs and Lieut. Emley five for 23 runs.

"PAST" v. "PRESENT"

In the annual University match on the Pokfulam ground on New Year's Day, the "Present" defeated "Past" by 38 runs. Twelve men were played on each side. The "Present" scored 235, to which the "Past" replied with 139. For the "Present," E. Zimmern scored 47 runs; A. A. Rumjahn 40; Y. C. Teh 30; B. P. Ng 23; H. W. Balhatchet 22 and D. Laing 19. For the other side, T. E. Yeoh contributed 31; D. K. Samy 29; J. L. Youngs 21 and H. C. Hunt 21. Bowling for the "Past," Ng Sze Kwong took six wickets for 52 runs and Samy three wickets for 24 runs. For the "Present," Rumjahn took six wickets for 46 runs.

SATURDAY'S GAMES.

C.S.C.C. v. R.A.

In a league match on the Civil Service C.C. ground the C.S.C.C. played the Royal Artillery. The result was a tie, each side having scored 140 runs.

Major Hattersley Smith for the Artillery, made a fine stand, and the eighty runs which he compiled included fifteen fours.

There was great excitement when the Civil Service needed two runs to tie when their last men were in. Edmunds secured these, and no other run was scored.

Scores:—

ROYAL ARTILLERY.			
Capt. Bensley, c de Rome, b Hamilton			24
Lieut. Hall, b Evans			4
Lieut. Smith, b Evans			80
Major Hattersley Smith, not out			80
Lieut. Chester, c Holdman, b Hamilton			1
M/Gr. Rough, b Baker			2
Capt. Barrett, b Evans			15
Sergt. Gifford, run out			4
Gr. Rule, c Wood, b Edmunds			0
Gr. Sandell, b Evans			0
Bdr. Dunne, b Evans			0
Extras			19
Total			149

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Evans	8.3	6	31
Hamilton	9	3	33
Baker	6	0	44
Edmunds	3	0	32

C.S.C.C.			
F. J. de Rome, run out			29
E. D. Evans, l.b.w., b Gifford			8
E. C. Fincher, c sub., b Gifford			2
A. E. Wood, c Hattersley Smith, b Lieut. Smith			39
F. E. Lawrence, c Chester, b Lieut. Smith			19
H. Wallington, c Barrett, b Rough			19
E. W. Hamilton, c Chester, b Lieut. Smith			0
S. B. Spillet, c Bensley, b Lieut. Smith			22
F. Baker, l.b.w., b Rough			11
F. H. Holdman, c Barrett, b Rough			0
W. H. Edmunds, not out			2
Extras			0
Total			140

Bowling Analysis.			
	O.	M.	R.
Gifford	9	2	35
Rule	7	0	40
Rough	9	0	30
Lieut. Smith	7	1	19

Friendly Games.

K.C.C. v. H.K.C.C.

An all-day match was played at Kowloon between the Kowloon C.C. and the Hongkong C.C. 2nd XI.; the visitors winning in the first innings. Batting first the H.K.C.C. scored 130 and the home team were dismissed for 91. A second innings was unfinished by each team. H.K.C.C. made 135 for 4 wickets and Kowloon 131 for two wickets.

I.R.C. v. NAVY.

A match between the second elevens of the Indian R.C. and the Royal Navy at Sookunpoo ended in a draw. The home team declared with 189 for six and the Navy 121 for the same number of wickets. For the home side Wahab contributed 63 not out. For the Navy Lieut. Dwane with 32 was the top scorer.

C.C.C. v. TAIKOO.

Playing at home the Craigengower C.C. defeated Taikoo by 105 runs. The home side declared with 169 runs for the loss of seven wickets, whilst Taikoo were all dismissed for 57. For the home team, F. Zimmern retired after scoring forty; E. C. Fincher scored 34 and Y. Abbas 22. Two only of the Taikoo men reached double figures, G. McLeod 15 and J. Finnie 10.

C.R.C. v. H.M.S. "HAWKINS."

Played on the Chinese Recreation Club, the game between the C.R.C. and H.M.S. "Hawkins" was drawn. The visitors declared with 188 runs for the loss of nine wickets, and the home side scored 129 runs for the loss of five. For the "Hawkins" Midshipman Smyth scored 44, not out; Mid. Fraser 35, and E. A. Binns 31. T. E. Yeoh for the C.R.C. scored 38, not out.

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LEAGUE TABLES.

There was only one match in the Hongkong Cricket League this week-end, the first for a fortnight, and this was between the C.S.C.C. and the R.A. in the first division.

The match resulted in a draw, but by gaining one point, the C.S.C.C. move from seventh position to fifth position in the premier division of the league.

The position of the other clubs remain unaffected, with the exception of the Indian R.C. and Craigengower C.C., who each drop down one place.

The positions in the League table up to date are as under:—

DIVISION I.					
P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.	
Royal Navy	6	3	3	0	12
Kowloon	6	3	3	0	12
University	4	2	1	1	7
H.K.C.C.	4	1	2	1	5
Civil Service	5	0	5	0	5
Indian R.C.	6	1	2	3	5
Craigengower	3	1	1	1	4
R.A.	3	1	1	1	4
East Surreys	6	0	3	3	3
Chinese R.C.	3	0	1	2	1

DIVISION II.					
P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.	
K.C.C. 2nd	5	3	2	0	11
I.R.C. 2nd	6	3	0	3	9
Police	4	2	1	1	7
H.K.C.C. 2nd	3	1	2	0	5
Navy 2nd	4	1	2	1	5
C.S.C.C. "A"	4	0	2	2	2
Varsity 2nd	3	0	1	2	1
R.E.	1	0	0	1	0

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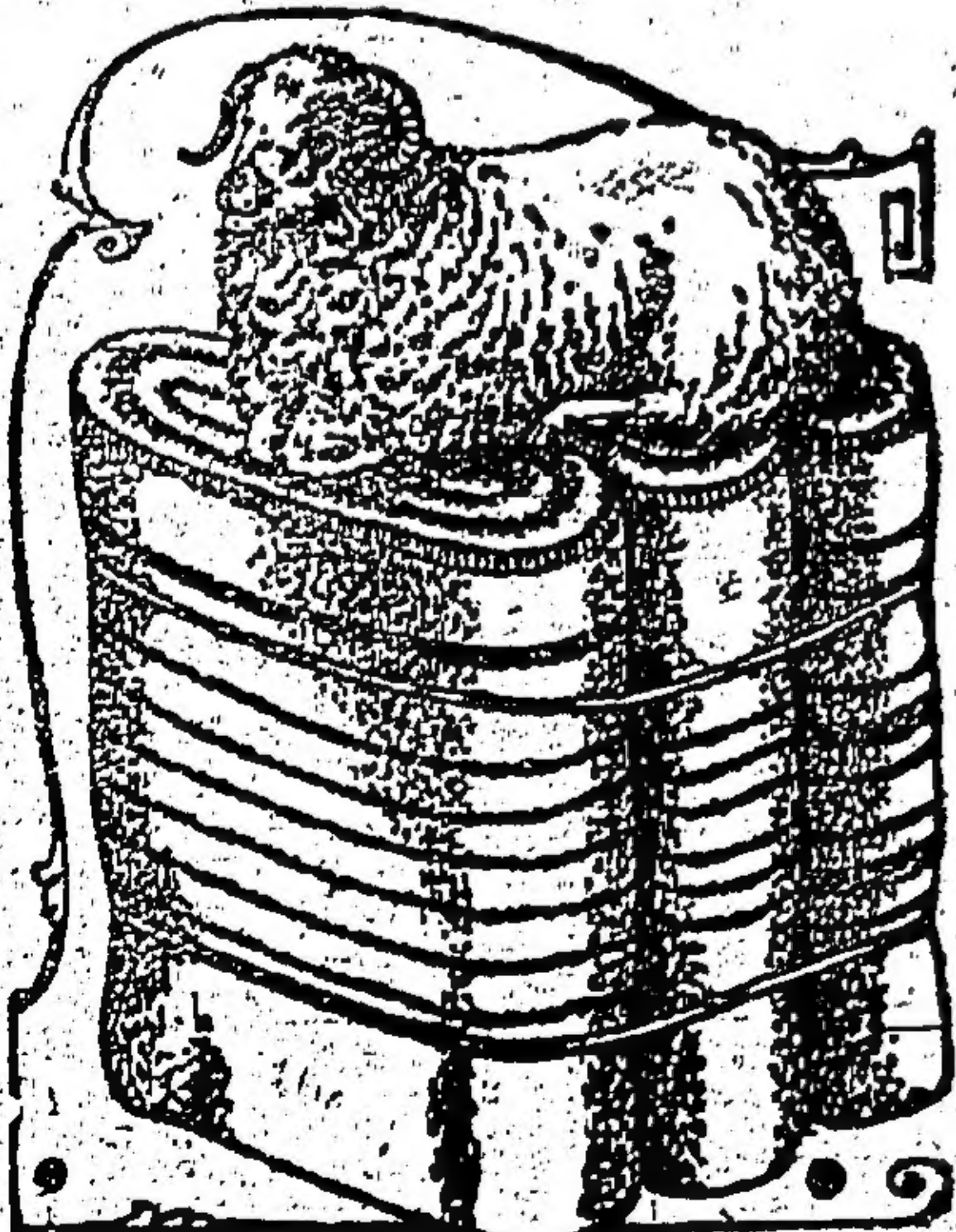
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"TAISHAN'S" WELCOME TO MACAO.

GOVERNOR HOLDS RECEPTION ON BOARD.

VESSEL'S FIRST HOLIDAY CRUISE.

The s.s. *Taishan*, the vessel just completed by "Taikoo" for the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, made its first holiday cruise to Macao on Saturday. The weather was delightful. There was a large crowd on board, including a number of the Company's specially invited guests and all had a most enjoyable time. Indeed, if the success of this trip may be regarded as an augury the *Taishan* will certainly prove a record acquisition to the Steamboat Company's fleet.

The boat left Hongkong sharp at nine o'clock and was berthed alongside the wharf at Macao by noon. The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the Chairman of the Company, and Mr. J. Arnold, the Secretary, then left to call at Government House, and shortly afterwards H.E. The Governor of Macao (General Maia Magalhães) accompanied by his wife and family and a number of Government officials came on board and were entertained to luncheon. They were received by the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Chev. J. M. and Mrs. Alves, Capt. and Mrs. Clarke, representing the Steamboat Company. The proceedings at the luncheon, to which about seventy sat down, were informal, the only toasts being those of "The President of Portugal" proposed by Mr. Holyoak, the Chairman, and "The King" proposed by H.E. The Governor of Macao.

During the afternoon most of the visitors took the opportunity of inspecting the new harbour works which the Government of Macao have undertaken at a cost of approximately ten million dollars. When these are concluded in twelve or eighteen months time Macao will be in possession of a fine race course and a large area of re-claimed ground where it is proposed to build godowns for the trade which it is hoped will be developed with the rich Heungshan and Shekhi districts. As Mr. Holyoak announced on the *Taishan*, later in the day, the Steamboat Company have already marked the site where they wish their new wharf to be.

At 4 o'clock there was another large assembly in the *Taishan's* saloon which was attended by many of the Macao residents. They were naturally keenly interested in the vessel and were loud in their praise of its appointments. The guests were received by H.E. The Governor who, speaking in Portuguese, the speech being translated by the Company's Agent, Mr. A. A. de Mello, proposed a toast to the prosperity of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company and to the continuance of the happy relationship that had always existed between Hongkong and Macao.

In thanking H.E. The Governor for his presence and good wishes Mr. Holyoak referred to the fact that Mr. A. A. de Mello's grandfather, the Viscount de Ceret, had been one of the founders and first directors of the Steamboat Company. He had been one of those who signed the Articles of Association in 1868. From that date until now, said Mr. Holyoak, the Company's records show that there has been nothing but the most friendly feeling between the Company and the Macao Government. He trusted that that pleasant co-operation, to their mutual advantage, might always be maintained.

Three cheers were then given for His Excellency The Governor and his party. The ropes were cast off and the steamer began its return journey to Hongkong to the accompaniment of the firing of Chinese crackers and the applause of the large crowds which had gathered alongside the wharf.

Tea was served on board and after tea there was dancing in the saloon. When the boat reached the Hongkong Harbour there was another little ceremonious gathering, the guests on this occasion returning thanks to the Company for the excellent day's holiday they had provided.

Mr. G. M. Young, of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, acted as spokesman for the guests. After referring to the enterprise of the Company in having such a first-class steamer built he called for three cheers for Mr. Holyoak. These were heartily given and Mr. Holyoak, on behalf of the Steamboat Company, briefly acknowledged the compliment. The return journey was completed in a little under three hours.

The representatives of the Company on board included the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak (Chairman), Capt. Clarke and Chev. J. M. Alves (Directors) and Mr. J. Arnold (Secretary). Among the invited guests were Mrs. P. H. Holyoak and the Misses Holyoak, Mr. Hanbury Williams, Mrs. J. M. Alves, Mr. P. W. Massey, Mr. O. H. P. Hay, Mr. and Mrs. Enslow, Mr. O. T. Dredge, Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland and party, Mr. and Mrs. Cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. Albuquerque Castro, Mr. and Mrs. Lauder, Mr. and Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Williams, Dr. and Mrs. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Templeton, Dr. Koch, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. da Rosa, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Stoddart, Mr. E. Syder, Capt. and Mrs. Innes, Mr. F. W. James, and Mr. F. J. Shervell.

THE FATAL ACCIDENT AT THE FIRE.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of Able-Seaman Batchelor who died as a result of terrible injuries received while assisting in combating the fire at the Hongkong Hotel took place at Happy Valley Cemetery yesterday. The band of H.M.S. *Hawkins* preceded the cortege, and the coffin, draped with the Union Jack, was borne on a gun-carriage drawn by a number of able seamen from deceased's ship. The carriage was followed by a detachment from H.M.S. *Hawkins*.

As the coffin was being borne into the cemetery the Band played the "Dead March." The Last Post and Reveille were sounded at the graveside and a squad from the *Hawkins* fired three volleys over the grave.

The Rev. Mr. Hamilton, H.M.S. *Titanic*, and Rev. Mr. Scott, H.M.S. *Hawkins*, were the officiating ministers. Among those present were Capt. W. J. C. Lake (Chief of Staff), Pay-Commander, C. Lake, Comdr. Gunner H. F. Budden, Comdr. C. W. Bower, D.S.O., Lieut. Edmonstone, and Comdr. W. Pott (officer of H.M.S. *Hawkins*), the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Miss Dorothy Holyoak, Comdr. Williams, R.N., Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. M. F. Key (representing the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce), Mr. P. Condon (representing the Hongkong Fire Brigade), Mr. G. Saunders (representing the Kowloon Fire Brigade), Mr. W. E. Hollands (representing the Hongkong Football Association), members of the crews of the various ships in Port, members of various local clubs and many others.

There was a large number of floral tributes sent, among them being noticed one from H.E. The Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) and Lady Clementi, Vice-Admiral Sir E. S. Alexander Sinclair, K.C.B., M.V.O., (Commander-in-Chief of the China Station), Capt. Lake, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. J. H. Taggart (Managing Director of the Hotels Co.), Mr. W. J. Hawker (Manager of the Hotels Co.), "A Sorrowful Spectator," Mr. and Mrs. G. Morrison, Capt. Brewer and W. T. Hayle, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Inspector Blake (Sanitary Department).

There were wreaths also from many messes on the *Hawkins* as well as from H.M.S. *Bluebell*, H.M.S. *Peterfield*, and Officers and Crew H.M. Tug *Cherub*.

The officers and all ranks 5th Battalion and Punjani Regiment, Officers of the Royal Artillery, Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., the Manager and staff of the Hongkong Hotels, Ltd., Shanghai staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., Manager and staff of the Repulse Bay Hotel, the Directors and Hongkong staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., Fire Insurance Company, President and members of the Wayfoong Mess, Members of the Hongkong Football Club, Civil Service Cricket Club, Royal Naval Yard Police, Dockyard Recreation Club, Police Recreation Club, Garrison Recreation Club, European Members of the Fire Brigade, Yau Ma Tei Police Station, the Sick Berth Staff of the Royal Naval Hospital and the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong.

SEAMAN E. E. BATCHELOR.

A sailor's grave! Yet not where billows dash.
From blue to grey, break out in angry foam.
Only beside them, where, in murmurs plashing,
Wavelets may whisper of the West, and home.

Not on the sea, where pledge of faith was given,
Met he the foe and claimed a tragic fate,
Yet by the self-same calling led, not driven,
"Ready, aye, ready!" come it soon or late.

The work was there,—no pampered fears arrested
The quick assent, though it was Danger spoke,
Red flame or ocean, shore or wave white-crested,
It mattered little to a Heart of Oak!

Who talks in gloom of England's glory waning?
Of manhood's work exchanged for puerile play!
When we may turn from pessimists' complaining
To this, Life's Game, played in a sailor's way!

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OBITUARY.

MR. DENMAN FULLER.

A wide circle of friends in Hongkong will read with melancholy interest the announcement made to-day of the death of Mr. Denman Fuller, who for many years was the Organist of St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong. The news reached us by cable from our London Office that Mr. Fuller passed away on Christmas Day at a nursing home in Bournemouth "after a long illness most patiently borne" as the message has it.

From his college days Mr. Fuller had been a martyr to ill-health. He suffered from some serious internal disorder and in the past twenty-five years he underwent many severe surgical operations. Ill-health interrupted his college career, but he devoted himself to music, and as many of our readers know, he was not only an accomplished organist (being a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists), but an exceptionally brilliant pianist as well. The late Mr. Fuller was the Organist and Choirmaster of St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, for upwards of fifteen or sixteen years, and during that time gave innumerable recitals on the Cathedral organ mainly to raise funds for the improvement of this fine old instrument and when sufficient funds were in hand to enable the thorough overhauling to be undertaken he himself, for several months, gave valuable assistance to the organ builder engaged from home. At his own cost Mr. Fuller provided electric blowing apparatus for the organ.

His many pianoforte recitals, and the valuable assistance he gave to the Philharmonic Society, and at high-class concerts in the Colony will be recalled by all music lovers with grateful appreciation. In addition to all his musical work of a public character, Mr. Fuller had numerous private pupils for the pianoforte and singing, and he also filled for many years the position of custodian of the City Hall and together with that of curator of the museum library.

His enthusiasm for his work frequently overtaxed his physical strength, and after a prolonged stay in the Peak Hospital for another severe operation he resigned his work in the Colony about three years ago and went home a helpless invalid. It is a marvel to all his intimate friends that he survived so long.

The late Mr. Fuller was 45 years of age, and unmarried, but we believe he is survived by his mother to whom the sincere sympathy of all the deceased gentleman's friends in Hongkong will be extended in her bereavement.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY.

STORY OF STRANGER'S VISIT TO ASYLUM.

A remarkable story was related at the Central Magistracy on Saturday, when two Chinese were charged with trying to obtain the release of a patient from the Government Lunatic Asylum, with intent to defraud.

Mr. James Murray, who is in charge of the Asylum, stated that the patient, Lee Ah Lei, arrived on the s.s. *President Wilson* on December 24th and was immediately admitted to the Asylum. He had in his possession \$42.30 in American coinage, a gold wristlet watch, gold cuff-links, a gold watch chain and two suit cases which contained clothing. On December 26th the first defendant, accompanied by the second, who was a Chinese ward master, visited the Asylum and said that he was a brother of the patient. He, however, could not give the patient's name, and when questioned became utterly confused. He was told that he would be handed over to the police, and then fell on his knees and wept.

Replying to Inspector P. Grant, who was in charge of the case, witness said that the second defendant was in charge of the ward in which the patient was (Continued at foot of next column.)

WORLD TOURISTS.

S.S. "BELGENLAND" ON HER WAY TO HONGKONG.

The Red Star s.s. *Belgenland*, on her second round the world tour, is due at Hongkong on January 21st, and will remain here until January 25th.

The *Belgenland* is described as the largest steamer to have completely circled the globe. She is a ship of 27,200 tons gross, and is now carrying more than 400 passengers. The present cruise, like last year, is under the management of the Red Star Line, owners of the ship, in co-operation with the American Express Co., which has charge of all shore arrangements.

The ship is an oil burner of 657 feet in length and 75 feet in breadth, and is engaged in the summer Trans-Atlantic travel between New York and Europe. In her deck arrangement the ship is ideal for cruising. At night the deck is frequently used as a ball-room, and a feature of the upper deck is a space for sports, of generous proportions, where deck tennis, golf, shuffle-board and other games are played.

Other features of the vessel relating directly to recreation are as follows:—Two large and well equipped gymnasiums, an indoor swimming pool, with Turkish bath attached and two outdoor pools, the largest on any ship; three verandah cafes, available for refreshment, table games of dancing; a Japanese tea garden for dining or dancing.

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The *Belgenland* will be the home of the 400 or more tourists on board for over four months while they are completely circling the globe.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

CINEMA SHOW AND ENTERTAINMENT.

There was a large gathering in the hall of St. Stephen's Girls' College, Lytleton Road, on Saturday night, when a cinema show which had been arranged by the masters of St. Stephen's Boys' College in aid of the New Building Fund was given.

The programme, which was provided by Mr. E. W. Ray, who was many years ago on the College staff, included the screening of "The Silent Call," a seven reel film with the famous dog "Strong heart," and a rollicking comedy. The apparatus was skilfully manipulated and from the beginning to the end there was not the slightest hitch. The film was an interesting as any that is generally shown in Hongkong cinemas.

The Rev. C. E. Arrowsmith, gave examples of his inimitable ventriloquism, and Mr. Li Chor Chee, a former student and staff member, added to the success of the entertainment by singing. The Rev. C. E. S. Upsell presided at the piano.

The cinema committee of which Mr. Fung Man Sui, B.Sc., of the Bank of Canton, is Chairman, and Mr. Chau Chun Nin, hon. treasurer, are to be congratulated on the success of their venture.

Amongst the audience were a large number of the general public, and a good sum was raised in aid of the fund.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory issued the following report at 5.30 p.m. yesterday: The anti-cyclone over China has extended eastward. A fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea. Local forecast: N.E. winds, fresh cloudy; some drizzle or mist.

and it was possible that he came to know that the patient had honey. The case was adjourned until Tuesday. Bail was allowed in \$500 each.

THE FIRE AT HONGKONG HOTEL.

DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT OVER TWO MILLION DOLLARS.

ORIGIN OF THE FIRE AND THE FIRE-BRIGADE'S HANDICAPS.

PROMPT RETURN TO "BUSINESS AS USUAL."

The fire which broke out at the Hongkong Hotel on New Year's Day, through some unascertained cause in one of the passenger lifts, resulted in damage which is roughly estimated in insurance circles at over \$2,000,000. The Hotel Company carried a total insurance of \$3,600,000.

The local Fire Brigade were assisted by detachments of Bluejackets from the warships in port, and by detachments from the East Surrey Regiment which also furnished pickets who, with fixed bayonets, assisted the Police in keeping back the dense crowds of people who gathered in the vicinity, and so preserved a clear area for the operations of the fire fighters.

The fire started just about 9 a.m. and it was fully three hours before the flames could be regarded as under control, but the Fire Brigade continued to work on it throughout the day and night. The Brigade, in fact, did not leave the scene until just before dawn on Saturday—twenty-seven hours from the start of operations. In the early stages the Brigade was greatly handicapped by inadequate water pressure.

The whole of the fourth and fifth floors of the old half of the building, fronting on Pedder Street and Des Vaux Road, were entirely gutted by the fire. The third floor was also damaged by fire and its ruin completed by the deluge of water poured on the building, which did considerable damage also to floors below, even to the ground floor.

It was thought at one time that the entire building would be involved, and bluejackets were busily engaged on the upper floors of the newer half of the Hotel, throwing out over the verandahs and down into the streets bedding and light furniture and the private effects of occupants of the rooms, so that the flames, if they reached these rooms, would have less to feed upon, and so afford the fire fighters a better chance of combating them.

Fortunately, the new wing of the Hotel—the block on Queen's Road corner—has not been greatly damaged by the fire, and efforts are being concentrated for the present in turning the new wing into a self-contained hotel. Even on the day of the fire (lunch and dinners were served in the dining room and on Saturday the Management had in full commission the spacious dining room, the roof garden, the lifts and other essentials, which have already been provided with special electric lighting facilities, and equipped with telephones where required. "Bessie's Bar," with its expensive fittings, is still intact and has been re-opened as a residents' bar as before, but the public bar cannot yet be used.

We give below a number of details collected by our reporters:—

THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE.

The fire broke out just about 9 o'clock. A published report that it was observed about one hour earlier than this is inaccurate. A resident informed one of our reporters that he visited the Hotel two or three minutes after nine o'clock, and ascended to the fifth floor by the main lift. He was sitting in a room on this floor when he saw something burning. He opened the door to see what was the matter, and to his horror he found the corridor full of smoke. It was then ten minutes past nine. He got a lady friend out of her room and out of danger, and then returned to the fifth floor. The lift wires had apparently fused, and the woodwork in the passage was crackling. People were running about the passage—residents, cooks and boys—all busy with the Hotel hoses. To their dismay they could not get a drop of water out of the hoses. He was perfectly sure that there would not have been any fire to speak of, outside the lift-shaft, had there been water pressure. The destruction of the lift-shaft and dry woodwork at the top would have been the only damage, if there had been pressure of water. The woodwork at the top of the lift was trellis work, and after the dry weather we have had it was like tinder.

From other sources we learn that the fire was first observed in the lift while it was stationary at the ground floor level. Lift boys, assisted by boys from the tea lounge, set to work to extinguish the fire, and just as they had succeeded as they thought, the alarm was given that the fire had broken out on the fifth floor level. This has given rise to various conjectures. One is that flames must have travelled up the lift shaft unnoticed and set the woodwork at the top alight. On the other hand there is no definite evidence, we understand, that the outbreak was caused by fusing in the lift. We have heard it suggested as possible that it was caused by friction in running the lift, and that the fire noticed in the lift when it was on the ground floor may have dropped from above.

THE FIRE BRIGADE CALLED.

The first call was received at the Central Fire Station at 9.8 a.m. The Station is quite close to the Hotel, and the Brigade was on the scene without delay. They found that the roof was well alight, and they ran up to the third floor, but it is stated the firemen were handicapped by insufficient pressure of water. Two hoses run up through the Cafeteria had to be served from one hydrant and proved ineffective.

Meanwhile a general call for help had been sent out and fire-fighting apparatus arrived from all stations. The Government harbour fire-boat, the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.'s powerful tug *Henry Kendrick*, and the Naval tug *Cherub* quickly arrived alongside the Praya and lent invaluable assistance in pumping up seawater. One of the boats of the Union Waterboat Co., with 250 tons of water on board, also came across the harbour to render what assistance it could.

When the seriousness of the fire was realised Naval and Military contingents came to the assistance of the Fire Brigade and of the Police and rendered invaluable aid.

THE HOTEL GUESTS.

At the time of the outbreak many of the guests in the Hotel were at breakfast. Several had gone out before there was any word of fire. But not a few people were in their rooms, making up for lost sleep after attending the New Year's Eve Carnival. The consequence was that quite a number of men and women fled from the building in night attire, partially hidden from view by cloaks or great coats that had been hurriedly snatched from wardrobes.

FIGHTING THE FIRE.

Mrs. Bellios, widow of the late Hon. Mr. E. R. Bellios, O.M.G., who had been living in the hotel, practically bedridden

for the past twelve years, and is said not to have left her room in all that time, was carried down the stairway, placed in an arm chair which had been brought out from the hotel and carried away by four soldiers to the Astor House Hotel.

When sufficient water pressure was obtainable the fire was fought from the surrounding high buildings. Soldiers and sailors rendered valuable assistance to the Fire Brigade in assisting with the hoses carried to the verandahs of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Offices, the China Building in Pedder Street and Alexandra Buildings in Des Vaux Road, enabling the firemen to direct streams of water into the upper floors of the burning buildings. It was some little time, however, before the pressure was sufficient to carry the streams well across the road. In Pedder Street one of the high extension ladders was taken into the middle of the road, and a fireman at the top (some 60 ft. high) was able to direct powerful streams of water onto the burning floors.

Meanwhile large numbers of sailors and soldiers were engaged in removing furniture and effects from the Hotel, and in parts of the building from which it could not be easily removed, bedding, curtains, table cloths, trunks, suit-cases, and light furniture were thrown over the verandahs into the street, and anything breakable was smashed to matchwood. Chater Road, from the C.P.R. building to York Building, was stacked with salvage.

Some of this property was subsequently removed for greater safety into portions of the Post Office building, while articles in regard to which there was doubt as to ownership, or which were damaged by water, were taken to the compound of the Central Police Station and there spread out with the double object of drying them and affording the owners an opportunity of claiming their belongings. The compound on Saturday was filled with wardrobe trunks, suit cases soaked through in many instances, but apparently with contents intact. Ladies' and gentlemen's clothing, mattresses, rugs, carpets and table covers were spread out to be dried. Residents of the Hotel visited the Police Station during Saturday and sorted through heaps of clothing, a large quantity of which was in quite good condition.

The Roof Garden, which was not touched at all, was on Saturday littered, like the verandah of the grill room, with furniture and effects salvaged from the fire. It was fortunate that there was not the faintest breeze blowing when the fire occurred. Had the usual North-east breeze been in evidence it is extremely probable that not only the entire block of the Hongkong Hotel but the Hotel Offices adjoining (formerly the Alexandra Café) would have been destroyed and the new Exchange Building now in course of erection next to it would have been involved.

BLUEJACKET'S FATAL FALL.

The only life lost in the fire was that of one of the British bluejackets who was assisting the Fire Brigade. He was on the East side of the building, standing on a riding roof connecting the hotel with the Head Office (formerly the Alexandra Café), playing a hose on to the burning building when he apparently overbalanced or slipped and fell into the lane. He received terrible injuries to his head and limbs and was removed by ambulance to the Royal Naval Hospital where he subsequently died. Before removal to hospital he was attended by Dr. Balean and Dr. Morrison. He was an able seaman named Batchelor, belonging to H.M.S. *Hawkins*. He had recently been in hospital on account of injuries received in boxing and he had been discharged from hospital only the day prior to his death. He was a keen football player and represented the *Hawkins* in "soccer" matches. Batchelor was a married man with two children. Though he was only 25 years of age, he had seen previous service on the China Station, and he was due to return home within the next few weeks. His funeral took place at Happy Valley yesterday.

MINOR CASUALTIES.

Mr. Wright, the Building Authority, had a bad fall by slipping on some petrol which had leaked out the road, but his injuries were happily not such as to render him long inactive.

Another accident of a somewhat similar character occurred to Fire Station Officer P. Condon, who received a cut on the wrist which received prompt attention from the Ambulance Brigade.

Mr. H. T. Brooks, Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, received a nasty gash on his nose and one of the boy scouts received injuries in Pedder Street. Mr. Perivical J. Mandelli, of the Hotel Staff, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from concussion.

CONDUCT OF CHINESE STAFF.

The conduct of the whole Chinese staff on the morning of the fire and afterwards is highly praised. Mr. J. P. Bourne, the Hotel superintendent, says they showed not the slightest sign of panic and rendered excellent service. They stood by and did everything they possibly could and were always ready to do anything required of them. The room boys and coolies as a whole ably seconded the efforts of the hotel staff in seeing that everyone was warned in time to leave the burning building in perfect safety.

THE INSURANCE.

The insurance on the Hotel, we learn, is just on \$3,600,000. Of this amount \$2,000,000 is on the building; \$900,000 covers two years' rentals of bedrooms and of those parts of the building occupied as shops, etc.; furniture, fixtures and fittings are insured for \$450,000, and lifts, machinery, etc., for \$150,000. The liability, we understand, is spread over many companies.

PRIVATE LOSSES.

Few residents in the Hotel apparently had their property insured, and some of them have suffered substantial losses, though these, in many cases, are not likely to be as heavy as was at first supposed. Some who imagined that all they possessed had gone, have since discovered that they have suffered but little loss. On the other hand many have unquestionably suffered heavy losses. No authoritative computation of the actual losses is yet available.

HELPERS AT THE FIRE.

Mr. P. P. J. Widehouse, C.I.E. (Captain Superintendent of Police and Chief of the Fire Brigade) was early on the scene with other senior police officers directing operations.

Theo. Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Colonial Secretary) was also promptly on the scene and remained until danger was over. Vice-Admiral Sir Edwin Sinclair (Commander-in-Chief, China Station) arrived early with his Flag Lieutenant (Lieut. E. Dangerfield) and a signalman, and kept in touch with the Naval Detachment, directing their operations and supervising the pumping on the Praya.

H.R.H. Sub-Lieutenant Prince George, R.N., was among the active voluntary workers and his soiled uniform showed that he had been in the thick of the operations.

Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, R.N., who was also present, had much to do in connection with the efficient work done by the skilled men from the Royal Naval Dockyard.

The Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy) and the Building Authority (Mr. A. E. Wright) and many other executive and subordinate officers of the Public Works Department were on the scene. One of the engineers of the Building Office staff, Mr. H. J. Pearce, was residing at the hotel, and took prompt measures to guard against any danger to the public from the possible collapse of the walls of the building.

Among the helpers must be mentioned a troop of Boy Scouts in charge of the Commissioner, the Rev. T. G. Waldergrave, and the St. John's Ambulance Brigade under the direction of Mr. E. Ralph. Both organisations rendered very useful service.

The Matron and some of the Sisters of the Government Civil Hospital arrived and kindly proffered their help in case it was needed.

THE TRAM SERVICE INTERRUPTED.

Owing to the possibility that the vibration caused by the running of the trams along Des Vaux Road, past the Hotel, might cause a collapse of the upper walls, there was no through tram service on Friday and Saturday. Bamboo barriers were erected across the road to stop vehicular traffic. There were eighteen cars in the Western end of the town which could not be brought back to the depot at night. They served to maintain the service for the Western part of the town only while the barrier was up. After it had been ascertained that the walls were safe, the resumption of vehicular traffic was permitted, but trams pass as slowly as possible.

THE PEOPLE IN THE HOTEL.

The list of people registered in the Hotel was as follows:—

Mr. A. S. Abbott, Mr. C. A. Argles, Mr. A. S. Astoria, Mr. C. P. Anderson, Mrs. E. R. Bellios, Capt. and Mrs. A. H. Bates, Mr. N. G. Beale, Mr. R. J. Birbeck, Mr. E. G. Bolas, Mr. V. Benjamin, Mr. A. H. Boyd.

Mr. D. E. Cappelman, Mrs. R. E. Clifford, Mr. J. H. Cook, Mr. W. A. Cohen, Mrs. B. Cowper, Mr. and Mrs. J. Charneck, Dr. and Mrs. Casto, Mr. R. de J. Cosme, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Coleman.

Mr. W. A. Dowley, Mr. G. E. Ellams, Mr. E. R. Freshner, Mr. G. A. Fafait, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. A. Fong, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gould, Mr. I. E. I. Greenall.

Capt. T. P. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hannibal, Mrs. W. F. Hamilton, Misses A. and F. Hamilton, Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Mr. A. S. Hersee, Mr. J. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. H. Haldsworth, Mr. F. J. Haipine, Capt. H. Hamilton, Mr. A. Hanson, Mr. C. H. P. Hay, Mr. E. Hausmann, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Henderson.

Mr. J. E. Joseph, Mr. C. C. Van L. de Janse, Mr. J. H. Johnstone, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Lauritsen, Miss H. Little, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Loebe, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Langston, Mr. A. Linbird.

Mr. C. M. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. May, Mr. F. T. May, Mr. F. A. Mackintosh, Dr. J. Morrison, Mrs. and Miss Aloney, Mr. A. Mosholtz, Mr. G. Madden, Madame J. Mussebourg, Mr. C. de May.

Mr. A. Nassum, Mr. J. Nagara, Mr. J. E. Ollerton.

Mr. K. H. Pope, Mr. I. Pappo, Mr. H. J. Pearce, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. C. R. Price, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Priestley, Mr. H. Pearson, Mr. J. W. Platt, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Percy, Major Peterson, Mr. T. R. Parker, Mr. G. H. Potts.

Mr. A. H. Rowe, Dr. E. C. Rellig, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Roxburgh, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Riddell, Mr. F. L. Reed, Mr. R. Robertson, Miss C. Russell, Mr. W. Russell, Mr. H. P. Richardson, Mr. S. M. Rees.

Dr. H. F. Sommers, Mrs. E. Sparks, Mr. T. S. W. Smith, Mr. J. A. Satoaky, Mr. C. B. Shank, Mr. J. C. Sibley, Mr. C. M. Sevan, Mr. V. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Solbeck, Dr. R. L. Sutton, Mrs. O. Surjivsky and child.

Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Tukes, Mrs. B. Thompson, Madame T. Tain, Mr. H. W. Talbot.

Mr. G. Woessner, Mr. D. E. Wood, Mr. B. Wylie, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wright, Mr. J. F. Wright, Jr., Mr. G. Waggas, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Weightman, T. H. Williams, Miss V. Walker, Mr. L. Waddell, Miss M. Walter, Mr. B. K. Wallace.

MANAGEMENT'S ARRANGEMENTS.

The entrance to the Hotel now is through the swing doors of Mac's Cafeteria, and access can be had to the first floor and to all the floors in the new wing by the two big lifts that go to the Roof Garden, which also will be fully restored within the next day or so.

The office of the Hotel has been, for the time being, placed in the ante-room to the dining-room.

The full services of the Hotel are rapidly being restored by the energetic management, and the orchestra will be playing as usual, both in the dining-room and on the Roof Garden.

Messrs. Palmer & Turner are advising the management in connection with the re-arrangement of the Southern half of the hotel building to make it a self-contained hotel.

The dining room, roof garden, lifts, kitchen, and other essentials are already in full use and have been fitted with special electric lighting facilities and equipped with telephones where necessary. "Bessie's Bar" is intact and was re-opened yesterday as a residents' bar, but no arrangements have yet been made for the re-opening of the public bar.

Mac's Cafeteria is open as usual and none of its attractions have been curtailed. The fifty-cent teas which were so popular on the ground floor lounge and the first floor corridor have now been transferred to the Cafeteria.

The band will play at the Roof Garden from to-day and the usual programme of tea dances resumed, and the orchestra will also play in the dining room during meals.

The buses are running to Repulse Bay Hotel as usual, but start from Statue Square instead of from outside the main entrance to the Hotel as before. The telephone numbers for the car hire service offices are Central 4753 and 4759.

The greater part of the main building has been so fire-swept that it is beyond repair, the upper floors for long stretches having been completely gutted. Although the grill room, lounge and other public rooms have been largely ruined and rendered more or less unsafe, these will be re-constructed in the new hotel. Pending arrangements for the New Grill meals *à la carte* will be served in the present dining room in addition to the usual *déjeuner* service.

Included in the new wing will be the first floor reading rooms, the small private lounge, "Bessie's Bar," the broad end of the corridor, the ladies' cloak room and the large dining room.

About 20 bed rooms out of the 150 which the hotel possessed are now tenanted and more people will return to the hotel as soon as re-organisation of rooms and service is complete within the next few days. Many have found accommodation in the commodious extension of the Repulse Bay Hotel.

DANGER SIGNS.

Instructions have been issued against anyone entering the old building, even to salvage effects. Printed notices have been placed at all points leading to the danger zone and read:—"Danger. Positively no Admittance."

LAST NIGHT'S SCARE.

About 8.30 last night, a smouldering beam on the roof of the ruined Hongkong Hotel burst into flame, a few feet of the woodwork being involved. The Fire Brigade were promptly on the scene, and soon extinguished the blaze.

THE HOTEL CO.'S GRATITUDE FOR ASSISTANCE.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—I beg you to be so kind as to permit me, on behalf of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., to give expression in your columns to the thanks of this Company for the splendid services rendered by so many willing helpers during the fire that occurred in the Hongkong Hotel on the 1st instant. The Fire Brigade, the Police, the Navy, the Army, Government officials, Hospital and Ambulance services, Boy Scouts—all were represented, and everybody worked strenuously at the task of overcoming the fire. Had such assistance not been readily forthcoming, there is no doubt but that the results of the outbreak, serious as they are, would have been terrible in the extreme. It is with the deepest sympathy that the death of one heroic helper has to be recorded, and no

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For THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

WALTER J. HAWKES, Manager.

January 3rd, 1926.

"ABSOLUTELY SPLENDID."

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—"Absolutely Splendid!" was the phrase summarising the admiration of the thousands of onlookers who watched the progress of the Hongkong Hotel fire for the splendid work put in by the sailors, soldiers and police in their endeavour to suppress the disastrous conflagration.

When Vice-Admiral Sinclair took command of the Naval parties, consisting of sailors and marines from practically every British warship in port, it was seen how determined and keen were the efforts of the sailors to win a victory over the devastating element.

There was a subdued feeling of poignant grief when the huge crowd saw

Able-Seaman Bachelor, in his gallant attempt to break open some shutters, slip off a ledge on the first floor of the hotel and fall in the alleyway.

Now it may be asked what the Colony and those who were most vitally interested in yesterday's disaster intend doing to mark their tangible appreciation of the sacrifice of a valued young life given up in a cause not immediately connected with his duty. It is true that Able-Seaman Bachelor leaves a young widow to mourn his untimely death, and imperative on the part of the Colony to show its practical sympathy.

No words can fittingly express the unstinted admiration for the splendid work put in by all units and by every branch of the Services in an endeavour to minimise the destructive progress of yesterday's fire. And it is fitting that some adequate means be found to record the Colony's appreciation of the splendid services it received in a disaster that will go down among the biggest, in point of material loss, in the history of Hongkong.

Yours faithfully, J.P.B.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1926.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED, Agent for THE INTERNATIONAL PAINT AND COMPOSITION CO., LTD., London, is Temporarily at the HOTEL METROPOLIS.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Power of Attorney dated 8th OCTOBER, 1925, made by us in favour of Mr. ROSE JOHNSON has TO-DAY BEEN CANCIELLED.

U. SPALLINGER & Co.,

HONGKONG AND CANTON.

31st December, 1925. [3029]

THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL, HONGKONG.

IN FEBRUARY the SCHOOL will MOVE to its NEW BUILDINGS at KOWLOON. The Buildings are situated in 23 Acres of Grounds and are Easy of Access by Road and Rail. Boarders and Day Boys who wish to Attend in FEBRUARY should Send in their Names to the HEADMASTER.

W. T. FEATHERSTONE,

Head Master.

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THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

WITH Reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 28th December, 1925, whereby the Final Call of \$3.00 per share on the New Shares was made payable on 4th JANUARY, 1926, instead of 3rd NOVEMBER, 1925, the General Managers and Consulting Committee have decided, in view of the conditions prevailing at present, to further extend the time for Payment of this Call.

NOTICE IS ACCORDINGLY HEREBY GIVEN that the Date for Payment of the FINAL CALL is POSTPONED to 4th MARCH, 1926, and that the Form of Bank Receipt already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the Date named therein were the 4th MARCH, 1926.

For THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918), LTD. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1925. [3015]

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A SPECIAL MEETING of MEMBERS of the above Society and all those interested in Horticulture will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. JARVIS, MATTHEWS & CO., Ltd., on THURSDAY, 11th JANUARY, 1926, at 5.30 P.M., with a view to deciding whether the ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW should be held in Next Year or Not. It is hoped that a Good Attendance may be expected. All Ladies interested are Cordially Invited to Attend.

E. B. C. BORNELL,

Hon. Secretary.

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INTIMATIONS

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING CO., LTD.

FIRST MORTGAGE DEBENTURES (KAILAN BONDS).

PAYMENT of The HALF-YEARLY INTEREST Due on the 1st JANUARY, 1926, will be made on presentation of Coupon No. 27 at any of the undermentioned Banks, viz.:

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Net Amount Payable 22. 5. 1/5

Or £500. DEBENTURES: 115. 0. 0.

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Less Tax at 4d. in the £ 2. 4. 4/5

Net Amount Payable 112. 5. 1/5

Payment will be made in Tails at the Demand Buying Rate of Exchange of the Day the Coupons are presented.

By Order, THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION.

P. C. YOUNG, General Manager. [3019]

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

SIX PER CENT. FIRST MORTGAGE DEBENTURES (KAILAN BONDS).

THIRTEENTH DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in conformity with the conditions endorsed upon the Debentures, the undermentioned Numbers of Debentures of the total value of \$24,000 were drawn on the FOURTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1925, at the Offices of the Company, No. 22, Austin Friars, in the City of London, in the presence of WILSON FITZGERALD TURNER, one of the Directors, ALFRED WILLIAM BEARY, Secretary of the Company, and JOHN WILLIAM PETER JAVALE, of 7/8, Great Winchester Street, London, E.C., Notary Public.

The said Debentures will be paid off at Par on the 31st DECEMBER, 1925, at either of the following places:—

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BIRTHS.

BEHAR.—On December 29th, 1925, at London, to Mr. and Mrs. JACK BEHAR, a daughter. [3031]

WATTS.—At 38, Craigmillar Park, Edinburgh, on New Year's Day, the wife of T. S. WATTS-SMITH, a daughter. [3032]

DEATH.

FULLER.—On Christmas morning, at a nursing home, Bournemouth, after years of suffering patiently borne, DENMAN FULLER, aged 45. [3033]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 4TH, 1926.

THE HOTEL FIRE.

There should be, and we hope there will be very speedily, a public enquiry into the circumstances attending the disastrous fire at the Hongkong Hotel. Whether it will ever be possible to ascertain exactly what was the origin of the fire seems doubtful. That it was due to some defect in the shaft of the passenger lift seems clear enough, but whether it was caused by fusing or friction appears to be a matter of conjecture. The more serious aspect of the matter is the inadequate water pressure. A reader writing to us says there are several witnesses to the fact that had there been any pressure at all on the fourth or fifth floors, there would have been no fire at all to speak of. "The sight of willing volunteers," he says, "standing impotently by, pointing empty hoses at the small flames, and watching the fire gradually take complete charge, was enough to make the fire-fighters laugh aloud, with malicious joy and glee—and to cause onlookers to curse loudly the ineptitude and incompetence of the person or persons responsible for such a galling position." It is scarcely necessary to say more than this to impress the need for a full public enquiry into the matter.

Our correspondent at the same time enquires what is the objection to installing a salt-water reservoir and pumping station on the Peak and using it not only for fires but for street watering and flushing purposes? This is a subject which has been considered by the Government's engineers on more than one occasion, we believe, and adversely reported upon. A full statement of the grounds of objection placed before a Commission conducting a public enquiry would, at the present moment, be of great public interest, for the public is deeply concerned as to the great waste of good water at fires in the Colony when every year there is a shortage. Our correspondent says there is not much prospect of conditions in this respect changing, but happily we think it can be said that this is not the case. Progress continues to be made on the Shing Mun Valley scheme across the harbour, and some months ago we saw that the Crown Agents were advertising for the pipe lines to bring water across the harbour. This, it is promised, will give the island an unlimited supply of water. Approximately how long we may yet have to wait before all danger of water shortage will be thus removed we do not know, but evidently the prospect is not so remote as our correspondent appears to believe. But this is perhaps travelling rather beyond the point of immediate concern which is that a public enquiry is needed to fix the responsibility for the unsatisfactory state of affairs as regards the water supply for the purpose of combating fires on high buildings, to which the fire at the Hongkong Hotel so strikingly calls attention.

Tenders for clearing and forming areas west of Kowloon City Road are being invited by the Government.

The Government Gazette notifies that the name of the Mutual Bank of China, Ltd., has been struck off the register.

The credit balance of the Colony at the end of September was \$11,295,933, compared with \$11,650,558 at the end of August.

The Ladies' Department of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., has been transferred to the Jewellery Department in Queen's Road.

Some of the brushwood on the hillside overlooking Happy Valley, caught fire on Saturday. The fire was extinguished by a number of police and civilians.

The Hongkong Hotel Bus Service is running as usual starting from Statue Square. Car hire service booking office is at the entrance to Mac's Cafeteria.

Mr. P. W. Massey, of the firm of Messrs. Holyoak, Messer & Co., came down to Hongkong on the Empress of Russia which arrived on New Year's Day.

Mr. H. E. Goldsmith, Executive Engineer in charge of Roads, returned on the President Wilson from a short visit to Baguio, accompanied by Mrs. Goldsmith.

During the absence from the Colony of Dr. J. B. Addison, M.B.E., Dr. W. B. Moore is to act as the Principal Civil Medical Officer, with effect from December 26th, 1925.

The name of Dr. Tseung Fat Im, 25, Hill Road, Hongkong, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University of Hongkong, has been added to the list of medical practitioners.

Among the passengers who returned to Hongkong by the E.M.S. Empress of Russia were Mr. and Mrs. H. Humphreys, Lieut. Col. M. Bates, Mr. A. Nemaze and Mr. K. Nemaze and Mr. A. Harper.

Fire broke out in a matchbox on the Pokfulam Road, near the Dairy Farm about 8 a.m. yesterday morning. The Brigade received a call, and one appliance was dispatched to the scene, but by the time the Brigade arrived the matchbox was gutted.

Owing to the certainty of the expenses for the current year being very heavy, the Church Vestry, of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, have decided to hold thanks offering services on January 31st, and hope to raise \$3,000, that being the Treasurer's estimate for the year's budget.

The Christmas Carol Choir of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, raised \$251.63 during Yuletide. The proceeds are to be shared between the Church Pastoral Aid Society, the Hongkong Benevolent Society, and the Missions to Seamen. Mr. J. C. Lyle made the arrangements.

The Chinese streets of the Colony were gaily bedecked on New Year's Day, which was observed very generally by the Chinese community as a holiday, though not to the same extent as the New Year according to the Chinese Calendar is observed. China New Year falls on February 13th.

In connection with the calamity at the Hongkong Hotel much sympathy is naturally felt with Mr. J. H. Taggart, the Managing Director of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., who has been ill for some little time past, and on the day before the fire was removed from the Regulus Bay Hotel to the Peak Hospital.

A pretty wedding took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Saturday, between Mr. Andrew Wallace Harper, son of Mr. Andy Harper, the well-known dealer in Ford motor-cars, and Miss Elizabeth Mary Mahoney, of New Jersey, who arrived on Friday on the s.s. Empress of Russia. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. R. Lindsay.

At their residence at Peak Road on New Year's Day, the French Consul (Monsieur Yves du Courthial) and Madame du Courthial were "at home"

DISASTROUS FLOODS IN EUROPE.

HOLLAND, BELGIUM, FRANCE, GERMANY AND ENGLAND SUFFER.

MANY RIVERS IN FLOOD.

BOATS DELIVERING FOOD TO HOMELESS FAMILIES IN AFFECTED AREAS AND RESCUING MANY FROM ATTICS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LATEST CABLES.

AMSTERDAM, January 2nd.

The dyke on the River Meuse, near Cuyck, has collapsed and torrents of water are rushing into the eastern part of the Province of Brabant. The situation is most critical.

BELGIAN KING'S SYMPATHY.

BRUSSELS, January 2nd.

The King of the Belgians and several of his Ministers visited the inundated regions. The Minister of Labour has telegraphed unemployment pay to the flooded districts and is considering the possibility of requisitioning thousands of pumps throughout the country and concentrating them in the flooded areas. Over 8,000 houses at Liege are under water.

The Government is taking urgent measures to cope with the disaster.

HUGE AREA FLOODED.

AMSTERDAM, January 2nd.

The rivers in the Netherlands continue to rise. The flooded area is estimated now at over 10,000 acres, but hitherto no lives have been lost. The town of Venlo is completely flooded.

The Queen of Holland last night left for Nymegen to inspect the immense damage.

A message from The Hague states that Queen Wilhelmina and the Prince Consort, the Vice-President of the Dutch Red Cross Society have left to ascertain the damage from floods in the provinces of Gelderland and Limburg.

LATER.

A message from Nijmegen, Holland, states that their Majesties visited the inundated regions in a boat, followed by a second boat loaded with foodstuffs for distribution to the population.

The whole region between the Rivers Meuse and Waal is at present flooded. Military and Police in boats, are rescuing the peasant families from the attics of farmhouses. The roads, railways and dykes are crowded with people, who have fled from their homes, leaving all their property behind.

ALL LEAVE STOPPED.

AMSTERDAM, January 3rd.

The Government are hurrying men and material to the inundated regions.

All military and naval leave has been stopped.

FLOODS IN FRANCE.

PARIS, January 2nd.

The floods are extending to the provinces in some places at an alarming pace. Several million francs of damage has been caused in the region of Caen, Normandy. Thousands of workmen are idle in the North-East, owing to the necessity of closing the factories.

TREMENDOUS DAMAGE DONE.

AMSTERDAM, January 2nd.

Floods in the districts of the Rivers Meuse, Waal, Rhine and Lek have assumed the character of a great catastrophe. Railway dykes have collapsed in several places and in others are threatening to do so. The damage is so serious that it will be months before railway traffic can be resumed.

Several villages have been practically evacuated and cattle transferred to the higher land.

The authorities are working day and night to assist the population.

BELGIUM OPENS FUND.

BRUSSELS, January 2nd.

The Belgian newspapers and the Belgian Red Cross Society have opened a National Fund to aid victims of the floods, which constitute a national disaster.

(Continued on next column.)

EARLIER CABLES.

NEW YEAR HONOURS.
KNIGHTHOOD FOR HONGKONG'S GOVERNOR.

SIR CHOW SHOU SON, K.C.M.G.

London, January 1st.

The New Year honours include the following:—

K. C. M. G.

To be a Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George (K.C.M.G.), Mr. Cecil Clementi, the Governor of Hongkong.

KNIGHT BACHELOR.

To be a Knight Bachelor (K.B.), the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, member of the Legislative Council, Hongkong.

SIR ALEXANDER DUFF, G.C.

To be a Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath (G.C.B.), Admiral Sir Alexander Duff. (Sir Alexander Ludovic Duff, K.C.B., was Commander-in-Chief of the China Station from 1910 to 1922. He was appointed Rear-Admiral of the Fourth Battle Squadron, 1914-1917; and Admiral in 1921. He served in the North Sea during part of the war, and was in the Battle of Jutland, 1913, being mentioned in despatches and subsequently made a C.B. for his services.)

NEW VISCOUNTS.

Elevated to Viscounties, Lords D'Abernon and Dundee.

(Lord D'Abernon, is the British Ambassador at Berlin. Formerly Sir Edgar Vincent, he served in Turkey and in Egypt, and entered Parliament in 1899. During the war he was chairman of the Board of Liquor Traffic Control. He was raised to the peerage, as a Baron, in 1914.)

(Lord Dundee, the first Baron, was raised to the peerage in 1905, and was formerly Sir Andrew Graham Murray. He is Keeper of the Great Seal of the Principality of Scotland.)

RAISED TO PEERAGE.

Two new peers are created; the Rt. Hon. Sir Ernest Pollock, Bart, Master of the Rolls, being made a Baron, and the Irish peer, Baron Orammore and Browne, being made a Baron of the United Kingdom.

(Sir Ernest Pollock, who was made a Baronet in 1922, has been Master of the Rolls since 1923. He was called to the Bar in 1885, becoming a K.C. in 1905. He was M.P. for Warwick from 1910-1913. Solicitor General 1919-21, and Attorney General 1921-22, and was made a Privy Councillor in 1922.)

Lord Orammore and Browne (title created in 1838) is the third Baron, and was a member of the Irish Convention, 1917-18. He has been a Representative Peer for Ireland.)

OTHER HONOURS.

The Earl of Cavan is made a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath, and Sir W. G. H. Salmond a Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath.

(General the Earl of Cavan, Chief of the Imperial General Staff since 1922, has had a distinguished career. He served in the South African War, and commanded the Guards during the late war. He succeeded Sir Henry Wilson as Chief of the I.G. Staff in February, 1922.)

Sir W. G. H. Salmond has been Air Vice-Marshal for a considerable period, and has been Director General of Supply and Research, Air Ministry, since 1921. He served with much credit in the South African war and the late war, receiving the D.S.O., several mentions in despatches, and other honours. He was also in the Boxer trouble of 1900 (China medal). He was made a Companion of the Order of the Bath in 1918.)

To be a Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George (C.M.G.), Mr. William Peel, Resident Councillor of Penang, and Mr. George Sansom, of H.B.M. Embassy at Tokyo.

MALAY CHIEF HONOURED.

To be an Honorary Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George, Tungku Ismail, of Johore.

MARCONI'S NEW SCHEME.

WORLD-WIDE WIRELESS PLAN UNDER DISCUSSION.

LONDON, January 1st.

Marconi announces the conclusion of an agreement with the Postmaster-General enabling the Company to conduct services in nine further European countries and all foreign countries outside of Europe in addition to the four European and United States services already operating. This will enable the Company to proceed with the establishment of a world-wide wireless service.

The Directors expect that the beam services between Britain, Canada and South Africa will be ready for working in April and between India and Australia in mid-August. The Company is also constructing stations to connect Portugal and her Colonies and linking up Portugal with the rest of the world.

CROWN OF RUMANIA.

PRINCE CHARLES RENOUNCES ALL HIS RIGHTS.

BUCHAREST, December 31st.

Crown Prince Charles has renounced his succession to the throne and all his prerogatives as a member of the Royal Family. The King has proclaimed his four-year-old grandson Michael, son of Charles, as heir.

The thirty-two year old Crown Prince of Rumania's renunciation is a sequel to his romantic marriage at Odessa to the commoner, Zizi Lambrino, contrary to the laws of the country. The Prince was subsequently sentenced to a term of close confinement for transgressing military regulations by leaving the country without permission. His marriage was declared illegal, and the bride was reported to have refused a huge fortune to give up her husband, and the Prince was faithful to her. Subsequently, however, the Prince travelled and in 1921 he married Princess Helen, daughter of ex-King Constantine of Greece. Their son Michael is now heir.

COTTON TRADE.

MR. FRED HOLROYD PLEADS FOR REMUNERATIVE PRICES.

LONDON, January 1st.

Mr. Fred Holroyd, President of the Federation of Master Cottonspinners' Associations, in a New Year message advises the cotton trade to hold out for remunerative prices.

He says he is deeply convinced that if spinners, especially of American yarns, insist on such a price they can undoubtedly secure it. He is firmly of opinion that the world has not taken all it requires because customers of cotton goods know that if they wait long enough they can get their needs supplied at practically their own price.

LATEST CABLES.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY.

SCOTLAND GAINS VICTORY OVER FRANCE.

PARIS, January 2nd.

In the rugby international match between France and Scotland, played on the ground at Colombes, the Scottish team won by 20 points to 6.

The game was played in drizzling rain, but the crowd turned up in force, the figures being estimated at 40,000.

THE GAME DESCRIBED.

The Scots' victory was well-merited. They dominated the game in all departments, more especially the three-quarters and forwards. There was a sensational start, Gillies scoring a penalty goal in the first minute. Shortly afterwards, Wallace scored a try and near the interval the same player again scored. The half-time score was Scotland 9-0.

Within a minute of the resumption, McMillan scored a try which was not converted.

From the lineout Wallace scored another try but it was not converted. Ribeyre then got over the Scotch line, but the try was disallowed.

Then Gonnet picked up and ran strongly for forty yards gaining try, which was not improved upon.

Soon afterwards in a forward rush, Maury (France) scored a try, but it was not converted.

The French continued to press for a time, but met with a very sound defence. A minute before the finish, Bannerman securing from the scrum, scored a try, which was converted by Drysdale.

This made the final score 20-6 in favour of Scotland.

MR. ALAN COBHAM.

KHARTOUM, December 3rd.

Mr. Alan Cobham, who is on a flight from London to the Cape, has arrived at Mongalla, 150 miles north of the Uganda border.

OBITUARY.

SIR J. M. LE SAGE.

LONDON, January 2nd.

The death is announced of Sir J. M. Le Sage.

(The late Sir J. M. Le Sage was formerly managing editor of the Daily Telegraph, with which journal he was connected for 60 years. His jubilee was celebrated in 1913 by a banquet. He was knighted in 1918 and retired in June 1923. He was 88 years of age.)

ADMIRAL F. C. NOEL.

LONDON, January 2nd.

The death has occurred of Admiral F. C. Noel.

(The late Admiral Francis Charles Noel was born in 1832. He commanded H.M.S. Wallaroo during the China War, 1900.)

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WORLD'S CURRENCIES.

LAWYER'S ADVICE TO UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

PARIS, January 3rd.

A New York message to the Paris edition of the New York Herald states that the international lawyer, Mr. Owen Young, addressing a meeting of the American Economic Association, said that it is more important for the United States to restore the world's currencies and keep them secure from fluctuations than to collect her foreign debts.

LATEST CABLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

EUCALYPTUS PAPER PULP.

NEW DISCOVERY EXPECTED TO REDUCE COSTS.

New York, January 1st.

As a result of experiments in substituting the wood of eucalyptus for spruce as a material for making newsprint paper, the University of Wisconsin has made paper from eucalyptus grown at Sao Paulo, Brazil, which is said to have excellent printing quality and to be strong enough to be used on high speed presses.

It is estimated that such paper can be produced at about half the cost of the present imported variety and it is expected that the new invention will soon bring paper manufacture into prominence in Brazil. Eucalyptus grows readily in California, New Mexico, Arizona and Florida.

EXPLOSION IN FLORIDA.

TWELVE BODIES RECOVERED SINCE DISASTER.

PENSACOLA, Fla., January 3rd.

A dozen dead bodies have already been recovered of victims of an explosion of one of the retorts at the Newport Rasin and Turpentine Company.

It is believed that over twenty persons are injured.

EARLIER CABLES.

LIBERTY BELL.

TOLLS AFTER BEING NINETY YEARS SILENT.

New York, January 1st.

After ninety years of silence, "Liberty Bell" tolled in the New Year. The Mayor's wife struck the bell with a golden hammer and her light strokes were heard throughout the United States by means of wireless. The bell, which is America's sacred symbol of independence, was imported from England in 1752 and proclaimed the new ideal of nationhood in 1776, but in 1838 it was badly cracked and, apparently, silenced for ever.

"SHENANDOAH" DISASTER.

NAVAL COURT EXONERATES THE PERSONNEL.

New York, January 1st.

The Naval Court enquiring into the disaster to the airship "Shenandoah" found that the final destruction was due to large unbalanced external aerodynamic forces and asserts that the disaster "is part of the price which must be paid in the development of a new and hazardous art." It exonerates the personnel and endorses the Captain's action in starting the flight when he did and pays tribute to his skill and courage when the vessel broke up.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE.

BIG DEVELOPMENTS EXPECTED IN NEW YORK.

New York, January 1st.

Important international developments are believed to be foreshadowed by the arrival of Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, and Mr. Gilbert, the Agent-General for reparations who have conferred at Washington with Mr. Mellon and Mr. Strong. The latter is Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank. The nature of the discussions have hitherto not been divulged.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING'S NEW CABINET.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS DELAY MINISTERS TAKING POSTS.

LAST WAR'S TOLL.

PEKING, January 3rd.

Owing to the New Year holidays, the new Cabinet Ministers have not yet taken up their duties. No mandates are being issued. All the vernacular papers are taking at least four days' holiday.

THE TOLL OF WAR.

The new Chihli Tapan, Sun Yuch, has wired to the Government, asking for \$300,000 for the relief of those whose homes were devastated in the recent fighting.

H.E. TUAN CHI JUL.

CHINA'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE MAY SOON RETIRE.

PEKING, January 1st.

Chinese circles report that Tuan Chi Jul is pessimistic regarding the situation owing to the death of Hsu Shu Tseng and is desirous of retiring shortly. Some of the vernacular papers state that he is retiring on the 15th inst.

ANOTHER CONFERENCE.

The Government is reported to be contemplating the convention of a Peking Conference, to which the principal military leaders will be invited to send delegates.

Invitations will be sent to Chang Tso Lin and Wu Pei Fu.

CHINA'S FINANCES.

REVENUE FROM MARITIME CUSTOMS LAST YEAR.

A TOTAL INCREASE.

PEKING, January 1st.

The China Maritime Customs' revenue for 1925 amounts in round figures to Tls. 69,535,000, an increase of Tls. 570,000 compared to 1924.

The sterling equivalent of the 1925 collection, at an average exchange of 3/4d approximates £12,160,000, compared with £12,741,000 in 1924, at an average exchange of 3/7.15-16. The principal increase is at Tientsin and Chinwangtao. Tls. 1,536,000, and the principal decrease at Shanghai. Tls. 1,524,000.

The total collection at Shanghai was Tls. 26,023,000.

THE NATIVE CUSTOMS.

The revenue from the Native Customs, under the control of the Inspector-General, amounts to Tls. 4,746,000, equaling £888,000 at an average exchange of 3/4d. This shows an increase of Tls. 494,700.

All the Foreign loans, indemnity and obligations secured on the Customs Revenue (including the service for the Reorganisation Loan) have been met or covered in full.

All domestic loan obligations, of which the loan service is under the management of the Inspector-General also were met in full.

It is to be noted, however, that redemption payments of the Consolidated Debt are one year in arrear of schedule.

THE SHANGHAI AFFAIR.

MUNICIPALITY'S CHEQUE MAY BE RETURNED.

PEKING, January 1st.

It is semi-officially reported that the Foreign Office has wired to the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs in Shanghai instructing him to return the Municipal Council's cheque for \$75,000 in connection with the shooting affair, on May 30th.

STEAMER WRECKED.

JAPANESE VESSEL MEETS WITH DISASTER.

NO LIVES LOST.

ICHANG, January 3rd.

The Japanese steamer Tetsuho, bound for Chungking, has been wrecked. The decks are under water, but the passengers have been saved.

MISSION TO CHINA.

LORD WILLINGDON MAY HEAD BRITISH DELEGATION.

LONDON, January 2nd.

The Daily News understands that the British Commission for the Far East, a few months ago by Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, will shortly proceed to China to confer with the Chinese authorities regarding the allocation of the balance of the Boxer indemnity. Lord Willingdon is mentioned as head of the delegation.

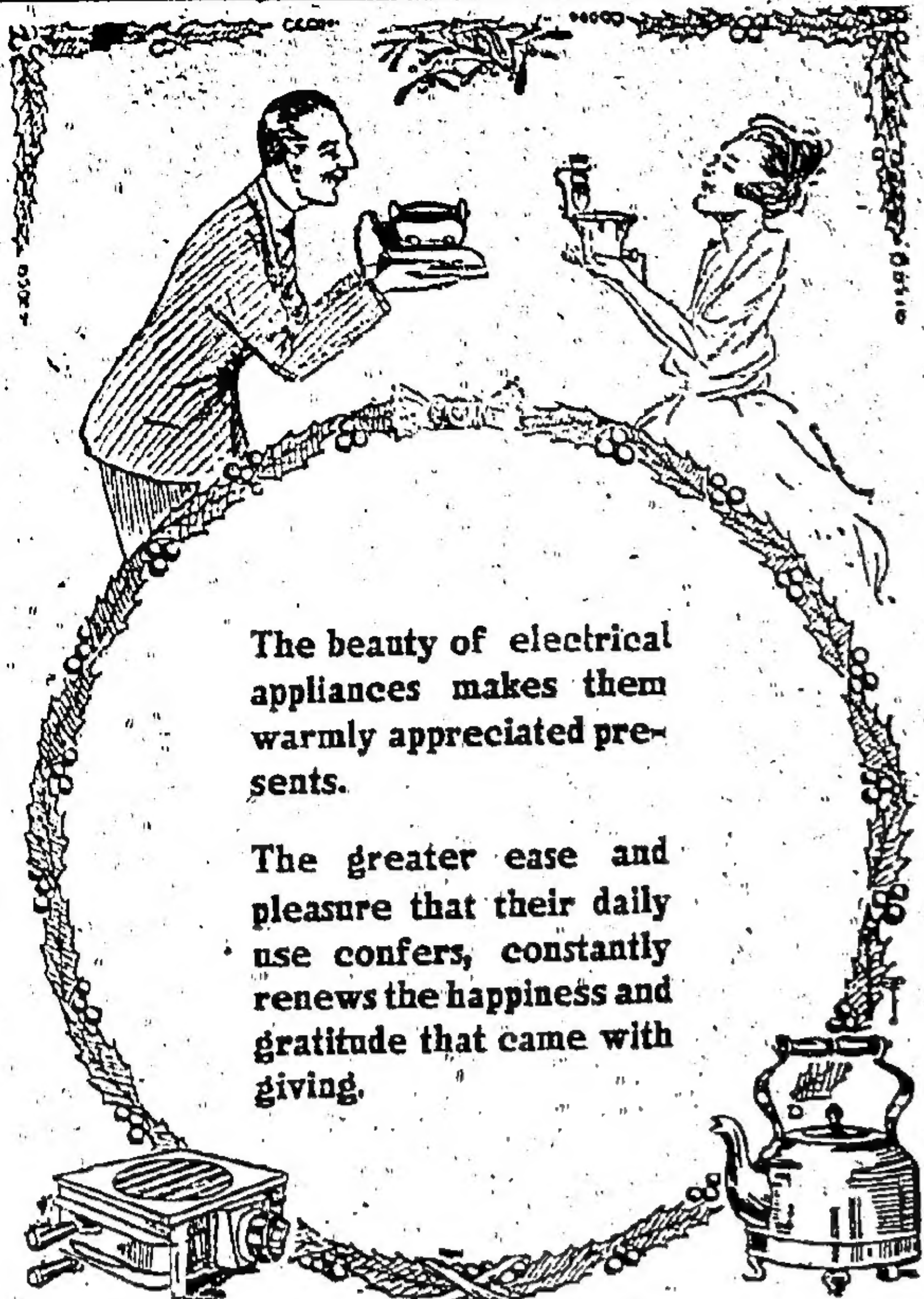
LATER.

Lord Willingdon may head the British Delegation of three persons to China, leaving early in 1926, to discuss the utilisation of the British share of the Boxer indemnity to benefit China.

TWO MORE INVITATIONS.

LONDON, January 3rd.

The Sunday Times says that in addition to Lord Willingdon, the Reverend W. E. Boothill, and Dame Adelaide Anderson, D.B.E., have been invited to join the Mission to China.



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LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

RESULTS OF GAMES PLAYED DURING HOLIDAYS.

The following are the results of the games in the Hongkong League Division I, played on Saturday:—

East Surreys, 4; H.M.S. Tamar, 0.
Hongkong Police, 3; Club de Recreo, 1.
South China, 2; Hongkong Club, 1.
R.A., 2; Kowloon, 2.

Division II. "A."

Kowloon Reserves, 2; R.A. Reserves, 0.

Division II. "B."

Moslem Club "A", 1; South China "C", 0.

St. Joseph's Reserves, 2; Moslem Club "B", 0.

Club Reserves failed to turn out against South China "A".
East Surreys Reserves and Club de Recreo "A" cancelled their match at the last moment.

SOUTH CHINA v. H.K. CLUB.

A well contested game was seen on the Club ground between the above teams, South China winning by 2-1. The Club won the toss and Chan So started the game for South China. The opening exchanges were very even, both sides attacking in turn. After ten minutes play South China were pressing; and Chan So, getting the better of a tussle with Summers, sent to Suen who scored from close range. Later the Club forwards came with a rush, and after Liu had saved, Howard dashed up and netted but the goal was disallowed for McBride fouling the goalkeeper. Bishop did good work in clearing from Chan So and Leung Wing Tak. A free kick for the Club twenty-five yards out enabled Forsyth to make the scores level. Half-time score, 1 all.

The Club were the first to attack after the interval but Ng Kam Cheun and Lai Yuk Tat defended well and the Club forwards had to be content with long shots.

A mistake by Summers let in Suen Kam Shun, who put his side a goal ahead. The Club tried hard to level up, but the final whistle found South China leading by two goals to one.

South China.—Hui Shing Yu; Lai Yuk Tat and Ng Kam Cheun; Leung Yuk Tong, Wong Shui Wa and Lam Yuk Ying; Ko Sik Wai, Leung Wing Tak, Chan So, Suen Kam Shun and Chan Kwang Yu.

H.K. Club.—G. Rodger; Summers and Bishop; Mair, J. Stewart and Watson; Brodie, Forsyth, Howard, McBride and Key.

Referee.—Mr. Smith R.A.

R.A. v. KOWLOON.

At Sookunpoo the above teams played a drawn game of two goals all. Kowloon opened strongly but shooting was erratic. Eventually the visitors took the lead through a brilliant piece of work by Linker, who scored with a low drive. The R.A. soon levelled up through Wilson. Half-time, one all.

The R.A. took the lead through Pulford who ran through the defence and netted. Kowloon pressed and forced several corners and during a scramble in the goalmouth following a flag kick, McKelvie received and sent in a high shot, making the score two all. Soon after the final whistle sounded with the score, Kowloon, 2; R.A., 2.

R.A.—Stanton; Trim and Moakes; Rachell, Reade and Vickers; Grew, Harris, Pulford, Wilson and Sande.

Kowloon.—Vickers; Wheeler and Urquhart; Turner, Sims and McKelvie; Taylor, McBride, Linker, Reade and Hayes.

Referee.—Mr. Windsor.

EAST SURREYS v. "TAMAR."

These teams met on the Navy "B" ground, the East Surreys winning by four goals to nil. Humberstone scored early in the first half.

In the second half, Butler added 2 goals and Charlesworth the fourth.

Douglas, Cooper and Jordan; McGreavy, Mitchell and Bristowe; Charlesworth, Hicks, Humberstone, Butler and Mackleworth.

Tamar.—Wavish, Smith and Barker; Sandys, Cowlin and Bennett; Chadwick, Summers, Bowkins, Brown, and Rigan.

Referee.—Mr. F. Smith.

POLICE v. CLUB DE RECREIO.

The Recreio had a setback on the Railway ground at Kowloon losing to the Police by three goals to one. Gosano was badly missed from the forward line of the Recreio. After having most of the play in the first half the Recreio were a goal down at the interval.

Following a breakaway by the Police, Oram beat Fernandez. Only the fine keeping of Clarke in the Police goal enabled them to cross over a goal to the good. Clarke was well to the fore in the second half and repeatedly saved his charge. At the other end, McGinley scored following a scramble in the Recreio goalmouth. Rocha reduced the lead by turning a centre from Brown into goal before the final whistle sounded. Simpson scored for the Police who won by three goals to one.

Police.—A. E. Clarke; Wynne and Taylor; Brittain, Johnson and Harle; Cornwall, McGinley, Simpson, Oram and Randle.

Club de Recreio.—Fernandez; Ogley and Xavier; H. O. Remedios, A. A. Remedios and R. O. Remedios; H. V. Remedios, Silva, Rocha and Brown.

Referee.—Mr. Baldwin.

KOWLOON RESERVES v. R.A. RESERVES.

Turning up two men short, the R.A. paid the penalty by losing their first match this season. Cavellie scored for Kowloon one minute before the interval. Sneath's fine goalkeeping kept Kowloon out until four minutes from the close when Cavellie again netted. The R.A. failed to respond and were beaten by two goals to nil.

ST. JOSEPH'S RESERVES v. MOSLEM CLUB "B."

Moslem Club could only field six men when this game started on St. Joseph's ground and after playing throughout the first half they retired. In the opening half St. Joseph's scored twice through Houghton and G. Lee.

MOSLEM CLUB "A" v. SOUTH CHINA "C."

This game was played on the South China ground. Razuck scored the only goal of the first half, the Moslem Club leading at the interval by a goal to nil. The game was being keenly contested when about fifteen minutes from the close two opposing players met in midfield and blows were struck. The crowd rushed onto the field and a free fight between players and spectators started. With the assistance of some East Surreys players, who had arrived to play games on the adjoining fields, the fighting on the field was stopped but it was impossible to continue play and the referee ordered the game to be stopped.

"MARRIED" v. "SINGLE."

At Kowloon on New Year's Day, the annual game between the "Married" and "Single" resulted in a win for the bachelors by 2-1.

LAI WAH CUP.

The Hongkong Football Association have decided to give \$300 to the Submarine M.I. disaster fund and \$300 to the Canton hospital, as a result of the game between the Navy and Chinese in the Lai Wah Cup competition at Sookunpoo on Saturday, December 10th.

This is practically two-thirds of the gross proceeds, as the Association have generously decided to defray the expenses for that day.

ARMY BEAT NAVY.

The annual match for Services Charities between teams chosen from the Navy and Army was played at Sookunpoo on New Year's Day. By kind permission of H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir E. Alexander Sinclair, K.C.B., M.V.O., Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron, the band of H.M.S. *Hawkins* played selections on the ground before the kick-off and during the interval.

H.E. Col. G. Russell Brown, D.S.O. (G.O.C.), arrived before the game started and the players were introduced to him.

His Excellency kicked off for the Navy who at once made for the Army goal, but Warren sent behind. Mackleworth dropped over from the wing and Pulford missed, Charlesworth sending behind. A miskick by Cooper gave Hyde a chance to open for the Navy, but Anderson cleared. Mackleworth called upon Moody to clear and the Navy forced a corner off Jordan. Conner received from the flag kick and drove hard in, Cooper stopping the ball on the goal line. Pulford swung the ball to Butler, who beat Moody, and opened the score for the Army.

The Navy got away from the centre kick and Hyde just missed. Moody fell when clearing from Humberstone and Butler, with an open goal, sent wide. Conner sent in a hard shot which Anderson cleared and Humberstone forced Moody to turn the ball round the post. The Navy cleared the flag kick and Anderson punched away from a shot by Warren. Shots from Hudson and Smith went over the top. Anderson turned the ball behind from a shot by Conner, but the flag kick was sent behind. Cooper handled a foot outside the penalty area. Conner took the kick and passed to Smith who shot hard, Jordan stopped on the goal line and cleared. Cooper headed over the ball from a shot by Conner but the Navy failed to improve on the flag kick. Moody cleared from Charlesworth and the Navy forced another corner. Pulford heading clear from the flag kick. Charlesworth was sent down the wing and Pulford headed over the bar from a well timed centre. Half-time: Army, 1; Navy, 0.

The Navy got away from the re-start and Leonard sent across the goalmouth but no one was up and the ball went behind. A little later, Charlesworth made the score two goals to nil in favour of the Army.

The Navy went away and Smith was wide with a ground shot. Anderson cleared from Leonard and the Army going down, Charlesworth sent in a screw shot from near the flag and Moody let the ball pass over his head into the net. After Moody had saved from Pulford, he was beaten by Butler with a high shot. The Navy were awarded several free-kicks but failed to pass the Army defence. With a few minutes to go, Conner scored the Navy's only goal from a good centre by Warren. The final whistle found the Army winners by four goals to one.

The ball, presented by the H.K.F.A., was won by Gr. Stacey, H.A., with ticket number 205.

Navy.—Moody (*Hermes*); Thomas and Wright (*Hawkins*); Willencks (*Hawkins*), Hudson (*Carlisle*) and Carpenter (*Hawkins*); Warren (*Hermes*), Hyde (*Hawkins*), Conner (*Ambrase*), Smith (*Hawkins*) and Leonard (*Carlisle*).

The Army.—Anderson (*East Surreys*); Cooper and Jordan (*East Surreys*); McGreavy (*East Surreys*), Sims (*R.A.M.C.*) and Bristowe (*East Surreys*); Charlesworth (*East Surreys*), Pulford (*R.A.*), Humberstone, Butler and Mackleworth (*East Surreys*).

Referee.—Mr. R. Cassidy (Naval Yard).

GOLF AT HAPPY VALLEY.

JUNIOR SECTION ENTERTAIN K.G.C.

Yesterday the Junior Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club entertained members of the Kowloon Golf Club in a return match at Happy Valley. The game was arranged to mark the appreciation of the members of the Junior Section of the courtesy shown them by the Kowloon Golf Club at the time the Valley course was unsuitable for play. At that time the Junior Section played at Kowloon against the Club there.

The result of yesterday's match was that honours went to the Junior Section R.H.G.C. who won by 131 to 135.

Singles were played in the morning and foursomes in the afternoon. Owing to the fact that there was one player short on each side, only seven foursome matches could be played during the afternoon.

In the singles, the Junior Section of the R.H.G.C. gained 9½ points and the Kowloon Golf Club 5½ points. In the foursomes, the visitors scored 8 points against the home side's 3 points.

The results were as under:—

SINGLES.	HOY. VLY.	K.G.C.
C. H. Beardsall v. K. S. Robertson	1	1
B. Petheram v. E. D. da Rosa	1	1
R. Campbell v. J. D. Thomson	1	1
A. K. McDonnell v. F. E. Remedios	1	1
F. O. Oliver v. R. Meldrum	1	1
E. M. Spillet v. F. X. Remedios	1	1
E. E. Boker v. W. Paterson	1	1
D. J. Brown v. F. Lickley	1	1
W. Mackay v. A. W. Roberts	1	1
C. A. Grimes v. E. A. Beaumont	1	1
W. Pryde v. C. Labrum	1	1
S. H. Garrad v. W. J. Carroll	1	1
F. E. Lawrence v. A. W. Brown	1	1
D. Lyon v. J. Bottomley	1	1
L. J. Shenton v. A. Brooksbank	1	1
Total	9½	5½

FOURSOMES.

C. H. Beardsall and B. Petheram v. K. S. Robertson and E. da Rosa	2
R. Campbell and A. K. McDonnell v. J. P. Thomson and F. E. Remedios	2
F. O. Oliver and D. J. Brown v. R. Meldrum and F. Lickley	2
E. M. Spillet and E. E. Boker v. F. X. Remedios and W. Paterson	1
D. Lyon and W. Mackay v. J. Bottomley and A. W. Roberts	2
C. A. Grimes and W. Pryde v. E. A. Beaumont and C. Labrum	1
S. H. Garrad and F. E. Lawrence v. W. J. Carroll and A. W. Brown	2
Total	6
Grand total	131½

FANLING HOUNDS.

PAPER CHASE ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

The Hunt met at Mr. Potts' bungalow to hold their New Year Paper Chase. The Course was laid by Mr. Bartholemew, winner of the last chase. A start was made at about 4 o'clock from "below Mr. Sousa's bungalow. Leaving the Portuguese Golf Course on the left the Hunt went into the valley behind, turning left-handed towards Lok Ma Chau and crossing the Fanling Road and finished behind Mr. Potts' bungalow. The distance was about 5 miles over nice country and was covered in half an hour. Lieut. Comdr. Sprague won on Cheriton Vale, Mr. Potts 2nd, Mr. Charles 3rd. A field of 15 started.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

A Steeplechase meeting will be held over the Steeplechase Course and the following races are proposed, but the Joint Masters would be very pleased to receive further suggestions.

1. Heavy weight; distance about 1½ miles, for Subscribers to the Hounds; eligible only for ponies that have been hunted at least 3 times with hounds.
2. Light weight; distance about 2 miles, for Subscribers to the Hounds; eligible only for ponies that have been hunted at least 3 times with hounds.
3. Members of the Mounted Infantry Section on M.T. Ponies; distance about 1½ miles. Catch weight 160 lbs.
4. Members of the Hongkong Polo Club on Ponies that have been regularly played. Distance about 1½ miles. Catch weight 160 lbs.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

Saturday, January 3th.—Meet at Sheung Shui Police Station, 3 p.m.

Sunday, January 10th.—Meet at Junction of Lok Ma Chau and Fanling Road, 10.30 a.m.

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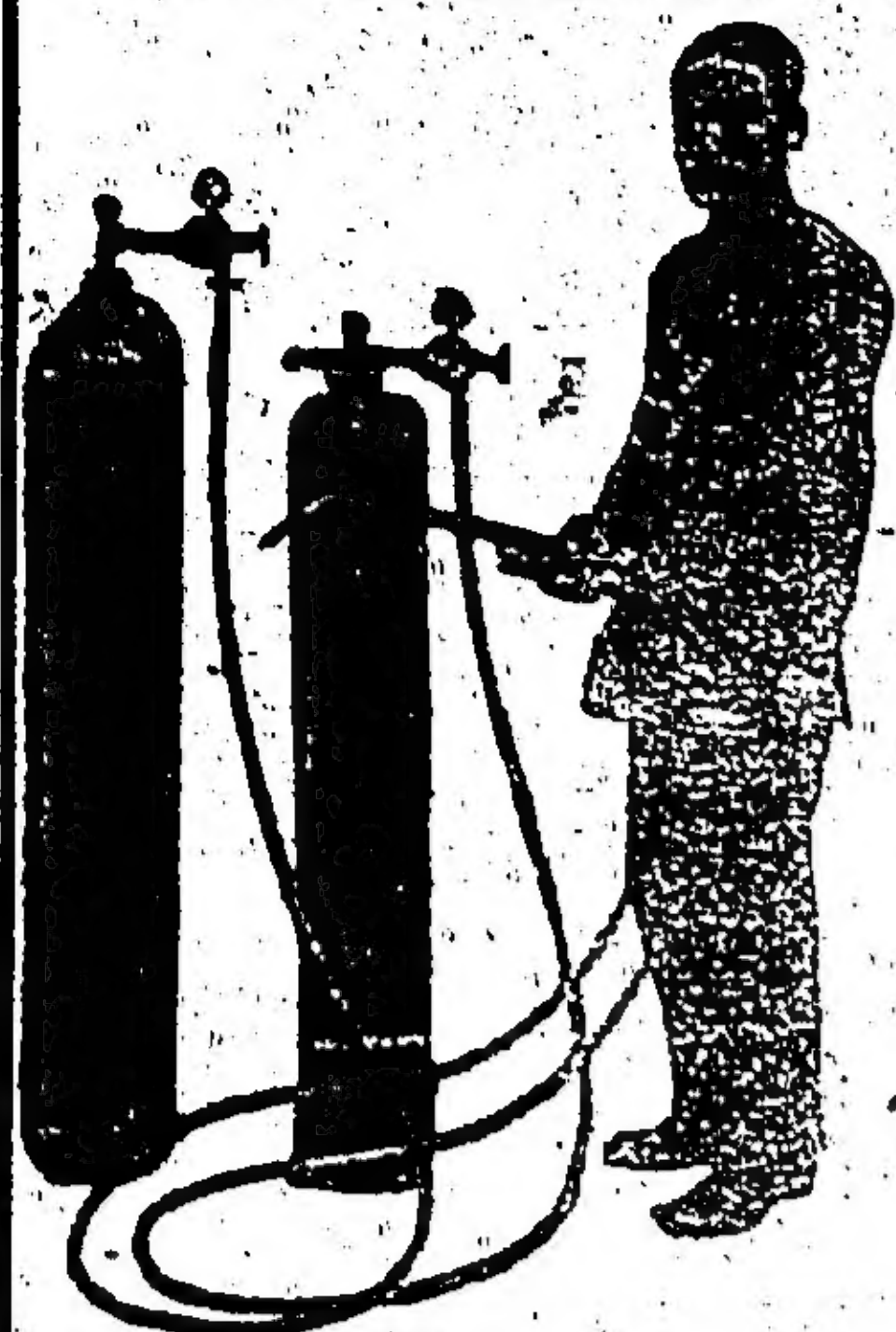
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FOOTBALL AT HOME.

RESULT OF MATCHES PLAYED
DURING NEW YEAR.

LONDON, January 3rd.
Following are results of matches played
in the English and Scottish Leagues
to-day:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE: DIVISION I.
Birmingham, 3; Sunderland, 1.
Burnley, 2; Aston Villa, 3.
Bury, 3; Blackburn R., 1.
Cardiff C., 2; Manchester C., 2.
Leeds U., 2; Nottingham F., 1.
Liverpool, 0; Leicester C., 3.
Manchester U., 2; W. Ham U., 1.
Newcastle U., 5; Bolton W., 1.
Sheffield U., 1; Everton, 1.
Tottenham H., 1; Arsenal, 1.
W. Brom. A., 2; Huddersfield T., 2.

SECOND DIVISION.
Barnsley, 3; Oldham A., 4.
Bradford C., 4; Chelsea, 2.
Derby C., 3; Hull C., 1.
Fulham, 3; The Wednesday, 0.
Middlesbrough, 4; Portsmouth, 1.
Nottingham F., 2; Darlington, 0.
Port Vale, 4; Clapton O., 2.
Preston N.E., 1; W. Hampton W., 0.
Southampton, 2; Blackpool, 2.
S. Shields, 3; Swansea T., 1.
Stockport C., 2; Stoke C., 1.

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH).
Aberdare A., 3; Watford, 1.
Brighton & H.A., 2; Newport C., 1.
Exeter C., 3; Reading, 2.
Luton T., 4; Merthyr T., 0.
Millwall, 1; Crystal P., 0.
Northampton, 6; Brentford, 1.
Norwich C., 1; Bristol C., 3.
Queen's Pk. R., 0; Gillingham, 1.
Southend U., 2; Plymouth A., 0.
Swindon T., 3; B.mouth and B.A., 2.
The fixture between Bristol Rovers and
Charlton Athletic was postponed as the
ground was under water.

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH).
Accrington S., 5; Walsall, 2.
Crewe A., 1; Nelson A., 4.
Doncaster R., 1; Grimsby T., 0.
Durham C., 2; Tranmere R., 1.
Halifax T., 4; Chesterfield, 0.
Hartlepool U., 4; Rochdale, 2.
Lincoln C., 0; Coventry C., 3.
New Brighton, 2; Barrow, 1.
Rotherham U., 2; Bradford, 3.
Southport, 0; Wrexham, 1.
Wigan Boro., 0; Ashington, 2.

—The score was 1-0 in favour of
Doncaster Rovers when the match
was abandoned 13 minutes after the
interval.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE: DIVISION I.
Clydebank, 2; St. Johnstone, 0.
Cowdenbath, 1; Hearts, 2.
Dundee, 1; Raith R., 1.
Falkirk, 3; Motherwell, 3.
Hamilton A., 3; Airdrieonians, 4.
Hibernians, 0; Aberdeen, 0.
Kilmarnock, 2; Dundee U., 3.
Morton, 0; St. Mirren, 0.
Queen's Park, 1; Celtic, 4.
Rangers, 2; Partick T., 1.

NEW YEAR'S DAY MATCHES.
LONDON, January 1st.
Following are the results of football
matches played on New Year's Day:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE: DIVISION I.
Bury, 1; Everton, 0.
Liverpool, 3; Aston Villa, 1.
Manchester C., 3; West Brom., 1.
Newcastle, 1; Burnley, 3.
Sheffield U., 1; Cardiff, 2.
Sunderland, 1; Leeds, 3.
Bolton, 5; Birmingham, 3.

SECOND DIVISION.
Barnsley, 3; Port Vale, 0.
Middlesbrough, 1; South Shields, 2.
Stockport, 1; Swansea, 3.

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH).
Barrow, 2; Ashington, 3.
Chesterfield, 2; Lincoln C., 0.
Durham, 0; Rochdale, 2.
Hartlepool, 1; Halifax, 1.
New Brighton, 2; Doncaster, 1.
Southport, 0; Crewe, 0.
Tranmere, 3; Rotherham, 1.
Wigan, 6; Wrexham, 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE: DIVISION I.
Aberdeen, 2; Dundee, 1.
Airdrieonians, 1; Falkirk, 1.
Celtic, 2; Rangers, 2.
Hearts, 1; Hibernians, 4.
Motherwell, 1; Hamilton, 0.
Partick T., 2; Clydebank, 2.
Raith R., 2; Cowdenbath, 1.
St. Johnstone, 1; Morton, 0.
St. Mirren, 1; Kilmarnock, 4.

In a friendly match, at Glasgow,
Queen's Park drew with Corinthians, one
goal all.

In the First Division, English League,
the match between Blackburn and Hud-
dersfield was abandoned at half-time on
account of the bad weather. The score
then stood at one goal all.

EARLIER CABLES.

CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

NEW SOUTH WALES BEAT
VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, December 31st.
New South Wales defeated Victoria by
an innings and 162 runs. The scores
were:—

Victoria, 413 and 130.
New South Wales, 705 and 705.
In Victoria's first innings, Love scored
145, Ponsford 68 and Woodfull 53.
Macartney took seven wickets for 85
runs; whilst in their second innings Kel-
loway took 3 for 12, Mailey 3 for 34, Macar-
ney 2 for 10 and Gregory 2 for 57.
For new South Wales, Andrews scored
61, Taylor, 60, Macartney 59, Rock 51,
Kelloway 145 and Oldfield 120. The lat-
ter partnership produced 328, which is a
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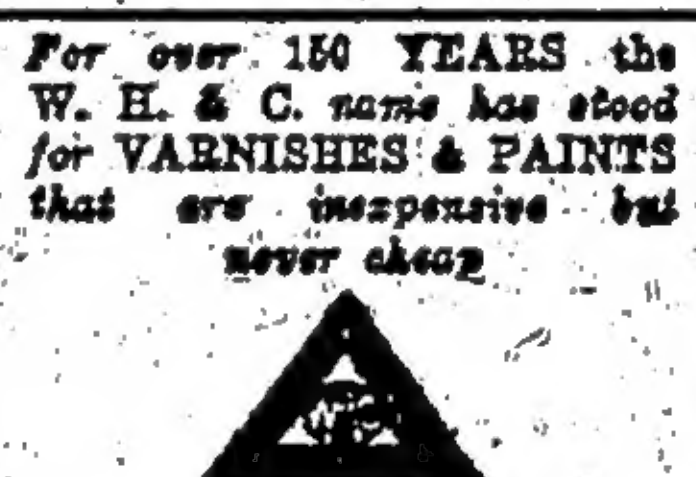
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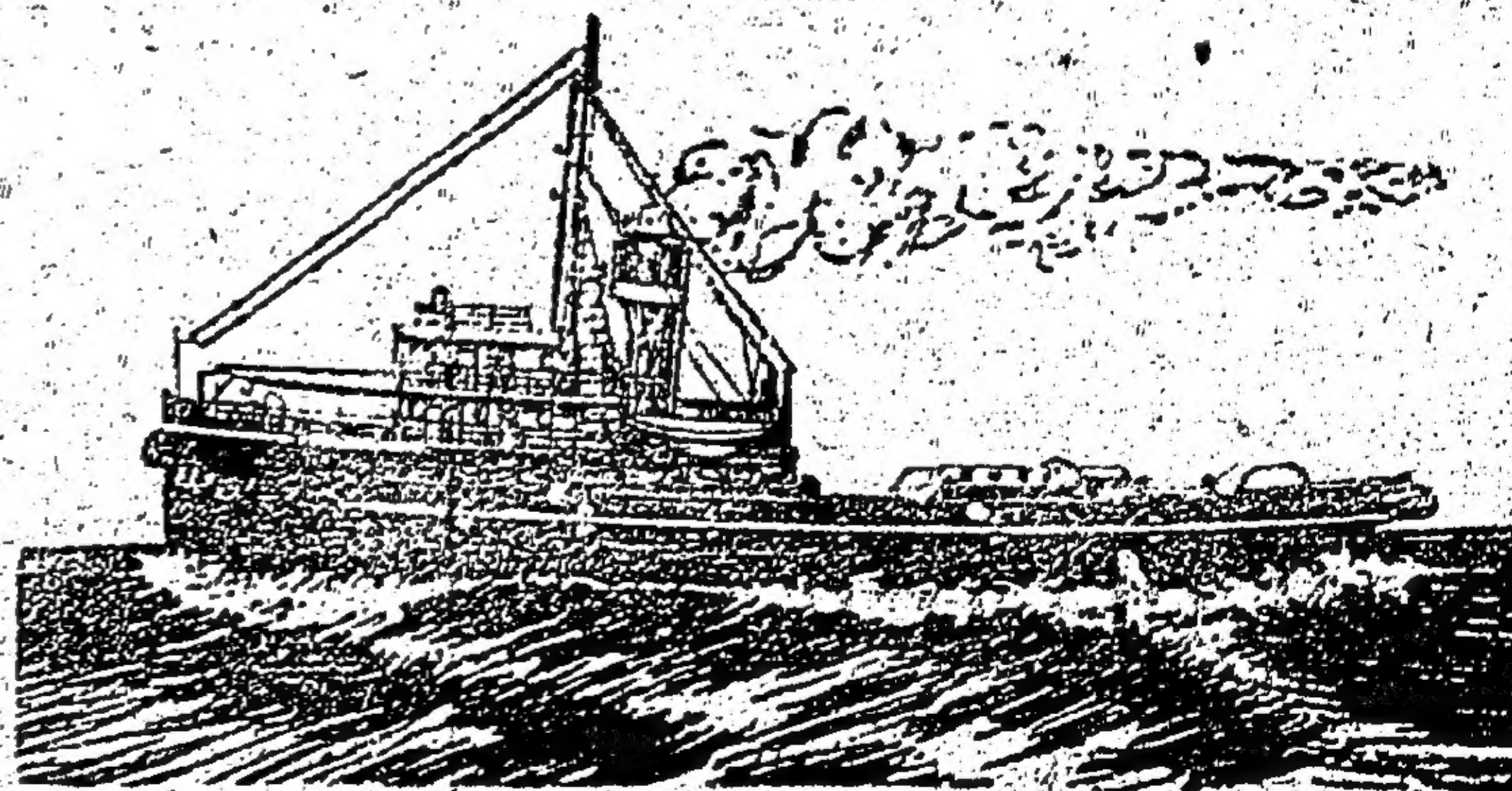
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January 1st.
Kaita Maru, Japanese str., 3,318 tons, Capt. S. Fujimura, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.
Empress of Russia, British str., 3,780 tons, Capt. A. J. Hosken, from Vancouver, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—C.P.R.
Glenfalloch, British str., 1,434 tons, Capt. R. McKelton, from Singapore and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A29.—Seng Soon Hong.
Hoi Ning, British str., 832 tons, Capt. W. C. Passmore, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas, Laprak & Co.
Indo Maru, Japanese str., 3,568 tons, Capt. S. Takada, from Nagoya and Moji, with 700 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.
Kamo Maru, Japanese str., 4,885 tons, Capt. S. Shiratori, from Yokohama and Shanghai, with 17 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. 41.—N.Y.K.
Kowloon, Chinese str., 1,168 tons, Capt. G. L. Crawford, from Shanghai, lying at buoy No. C29.—C.M.S.N. Co.
Minister Maru, Japanese str., 2,493 tons, Capt. Y. Kawasaki, from Kobe and Karatsu, with a cargo of cement, lying at buoy No. A24.—Nanyo Yusen Kaisha.
President Wilson, American str., 3,519 tons, Capt. Henry Nelson, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.
Sinking, British str., 1,818 tons, Capt. J. R. Shearer, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.
Sunamari Maru, Japanese str., 4,272 tons, Capt. J. Kawasaki, from Bombay and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A28.—O.S.K.
Tammy, British str., 1,333 tons, Capt. U. Lupton, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with 1,400 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. C40.—B. & S.
Tjilbeet, Dutch str., 3,639 tons, Capt. P. Abbo, from Batavia and Manila, with general cargo and sugar, lying at buoy No. A2.—J.C.J.L.
Chok Sang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. W. J. Booker, from Hongkong and Hoihow, with 2,069 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. C37.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Derwent, British str., 1,047 tons, Capt. R. J. Gillespie, from Hoihow, with general cargo and pigs, lying at buoy No. C17.—Chau Yue Ling.
Holland, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. C. W. Shearer, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C42.—Shun Tai S.S. Co.
Lai Sang, British str., 2,225 tons, Capt. C. W. Falk, from Amoy, lying at buoy No. B7.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Song Bo, French str., 720 tons, Capt. Y. Bonnamour, from Haiphong and Fort Bayard, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C43.—M.M.
Tammy, British str., 1,173 tons, Capt. J. M. Sturgeon, from Shanghai, with 1,000 tons of general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 January 3rd.
Amakusa Maru, Japanese str., 1,370 tons, Capt. H. Oyama, from Keelung, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B10.—O.S.K.
Chinhu, British str., 1,358 tons, Capt. J. Beck, from Singapore and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C38.—B. & S.
Hoi Nam, Portuguese str., 434 tons, Capt. J. A. de Lemos, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C41.—Kwang O. S.S. Co.
Tuo Sang, Chinese str., 761 tons, Capt. Chan Chau, from Kwang Chow Wan, with general cargo, pigs and cattle, lying at buoy No. C38.—Teen Sing.
President Jefferson, American str., 3,443 tons, Capt. F. R. Nichols, from Manila, with general cargo and sugar, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Admiral Oriental Line.
Kai Sang, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. J. Dudley, from Shanghai and Swatow, with 120 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.
Telamonius, British str., 1,340 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Hongkong, with 2,000 tons of salt, lying at B47.—Wo Fat Shing.

CLEARANCES.

January 1st.
Pook Sang, for Amoy.
President Wilson, for Shanghai.
 January 2nd.
Akita Maru, for Shanghai.
Empress of Russia, for Manila.
 (Continued on next column.)

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *Hoi Ning*, on January 1st:—
 Mr. O. Bramposky, Mr. O. L. Balderston, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Stul and infant, and Mr. B. L. Anderson.
 Per R.M.S. *Empress of Russia*, on January 1st:—Mr. and Mrs. E. Humphreys, Lt.-Col. M. Bates, Mr. and Mrs. A. Montor, Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. C. S. Allen, Mr. J. Behar, Mr. C. B. Cherry, Miss S. Clarke, Miss E. Field, A. A. Decca, Mr. C. J. Ferguson, Mr. H. K. Hung, Mr. H. L. Jackman, Mr. A. Kopp, Mr. W. S. Leung, Mr. C. M. Manners, Mr. P. W. Massey, Miss E. Morrison, Mr. V. McKeefry, Mr. F. L. Nemaze, Mr. K. Nemaze, Mr. G. F. Okey, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Perry, Mr. F. L. Robbins, Miss E. Stevens, Mr. H. V. Stokely, Mr. Mr. Tait Wai-Hin, Mr. Ho Kung Chung, Miss A. A. Turner, Mr. F. J. Willis, Mr. K. F. Wong, Mr. K. Yoshida, Mr. J. S. Tawg, Mr. A. Harper, Miss E. B. Mahoney, Mr. V. H. Summers, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Van Balen, Mrs. David W. K. Au, Mr. Chan An, Mr. C. T. Chan, Mr. C. P. Kong, Miss T. H. Shin, Mr. N. D. Tong, Mr. C. Woo, Mr. C. S. Yau, and Mr. Ho.
 DEPARTURES.
 Per s.s. *President Wilson*, on January 2nd:—Mr. Fan Wah Shun, Mrs. R. R. Roxburgh, Mr. H. Shumacher, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. K. Chun, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. C. Chun, Mr. and Mrs. Dalgleish, Miss K. C. Griggs, Mr. V. Glover, Mr. Mok Yut Chee, Miss A. Law, Mr. J. H. Geldart, Mr. H. and Mrs. Ho, Mr. Chin Yan Moy, Mr. Poon Tai Koo, Mr. Ling Kwei, Mr. Y. C. Pong, Mr. Chin Chao, Mrs. G. G. Schmidt, Master R. Schmidt, Mr. A. A. Roche, Miss M. Tyrrell, Miss B. Laird, Mr. S. C. Leung, Rev. J. S. Brunsell, Miss J. S. Brunsell, Mr. Charles Potter, Mrs. F. H. Steele, Master Steele, Mr. Lee Joe, Mr. Roch Chun, Mr. Ho Peh On, Mr. Jew Wo, Mr. Dong Hin Wo, Mrs. Chin Soung Kong, Master Dung Kwok Yee, Mr. Y. S. Bi Hing, Mr. Fong Yow Do, Mr. F. C. Jones, Mr. Yuen Fung Chat, Mrs. S. E. Thomas, Mr. Cheong Ewe Hoeb, Mr. W. S. Field, Rev. and Mrs. S. G. Mark, Master Paul Mark, Lt.-Col. H. S. Roch.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The N.D.L. s.s. *Anhalt*, from Europe, left Singapore on the 1st inst., and is due to arrive here on the 7th. She will sail for Shanghai and Japan on the 8th.
 The B.I. and Apar Line s.s. *Talma* will leave Amoy for this port on the afternoon of the 4th inst., and is due here in the afternoon on the 5th.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The s.s. *Kwang Lee*, Chinese steamer, owned by the China Merchant Steam Navigation Company, and commanded by Captain G. L. Crawford, which grounded on the Taishek Barrier on Christmas Day while on her way from Shanghai to Canton, was towed into Hongkong harbour on Friday afternoon. The vessel left Shanghai on December 10th and through grounding damaged her engines. After being refloated she was taken in tow by the Taihook tug and brought back to Hongkong for the necessary repairs to be carried out. On arrival she anchored at Buoy C. 59, West Point. There were 300 Chinese passengers on the *Kwang Lee*.

The local agents of the West O'Brien have received information that the vessel, which had a breakdown 2,000 miles at sea, has reached Hakodate safely. It appears that the *West O'Brien* was disabled in heavy weather by the loss of rudder and sternpost below the 19 feet mark on December 1st, which left her helpless, but not greatly in danger. As a result of wireless messages, three other Columbia-Pacific vessels went to the assistance of the *West O'Brien*, namely the *Dewey*, *West Holbrook* and *Onkrider*, and the three towed the disabled vessel into Hakodate on December 27th. Before she can put to sea again, the *West O'Brien* has to undergo extensive repairs.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia*, which sailed from Hongkong to Manila on Saturday afternoon, due to arrive at the Philippine port to-day, will take her turn in dock, on her return to Hongkong for annual overhaul. When the *Empress of Australia* arrives she will follow suit. The *Empress of Asia* will be sailing for Vancouver within a day or two.

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 January 3rd.
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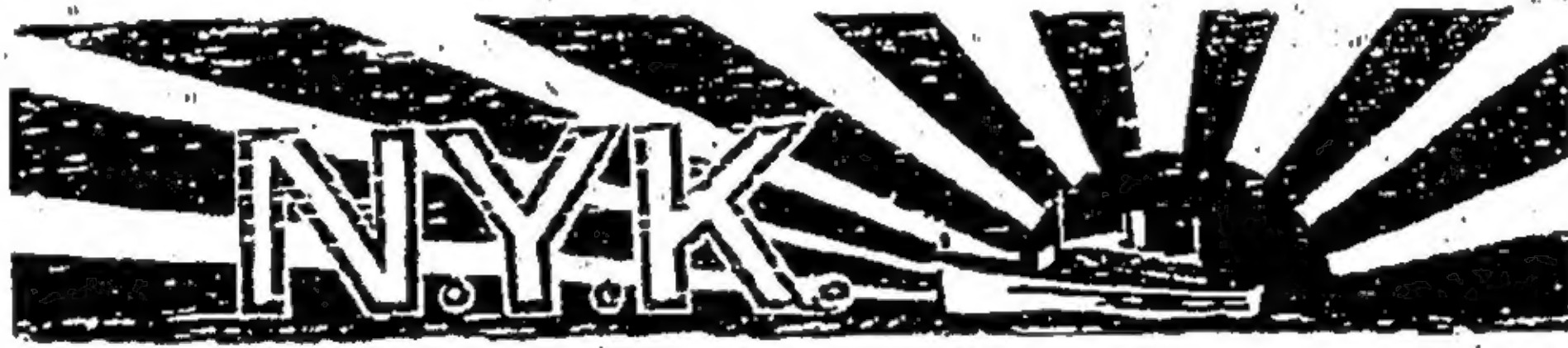
LEAVE MANILA

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 KATORI MARU Saturday, 16th Jan.
 ATSUTA MARU Saturday, 30th Jan.
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 MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 24th Feb.
 NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
 TATSUNO MARU Sunday, 17th Jan.
 BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town, Delagoa Bay & Algoa Bay.

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TOTTORI MARU 3rd Jan.
 TAMBA MARU 9th Jan.
 NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
 MISHIMA MARU Sunday, 10th Jan.
 SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
 TOKUSHIMA MARU Thursday, 7th Jan.
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 HAIPHONG via HOIHOW "LESSANG" ... Wednesday, 13th Jan., at Noon.
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 "CAENARYONSHIRE" ... 25th Jan.
 "GLENSHIRE" ... 31st Jan.
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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Korea Maru	4th Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Hayes	4th Jan.
SHANGHAI	Amboise	5th Jan.
JAPAN	Ratky Maru	5th Jan.
EUROPE via Ngapatam (Letters and Papers, London, 3rd Dec. 1925)	Tokushima Maru	6th Jan.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Grant	7th Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Lincoln	7th Jan.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	St. Albans	8th Jan.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—des. Victoria, B.C., 23rd Jan., 1926	Pres. Jefferson	Monday, 4th, Noon
Straits and Calcutta	Lai Sang	Parcels 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Hayes	Noon
Amoy	Sinkiang	1.00 p.m. 3.00 p.m. 5.00 p.m.
Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ning	Tuesday, 5th, Noon
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseille—des. Marseille, 5th Feb. 1926	Amboise	Reg. 12.45 p.m. Letters 1.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Chin'ua	3.30 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—des. Thursday Is., 10th Jan. 1926	Ararua	3.00 p.m. 4.00 p.m.
Swatow	Sui Yang	6th, 9.45 a.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Mingwang	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Tungshing	10.30 a.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Taming	Thursday, 7th, 5.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via VAN COUVER, B.C.—des. Vancouver, B.C., 25th Jan., 1926—Ship sails at day-light, 9th Jan. 1926	Empress of Asia	Parcels 3.00 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5.00 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Grant	Friday, 8th, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseille—des. Marseille, 5th Feb. 1926	Macedonia	Parcels 5.00 p.m. Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Kaying	10.00 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Sinkiang	Parcels Noon Letters 1.00 p.m.

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ON NEW YORK.—	
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Credits, at 30 days' sight	58 1/2
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	156
Bank Bills, on demand	156
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	156
Bank Bills, on demand	156
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
On demand	131 1/2
ON MANILA.—	
On demand	114 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.—	
On demand	100 1/2
ON BATAVIA.—	
On demand	140 1/2
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On demand	nom.
ON SAIGON.—	
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